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CONGRESS.

BUSINESS IN THE HOUSE YESTERDAY.

DEBATE ON PRIVATE CLAIMS—TRIBUTES TO THE LATE MR. BROOKS' MEMORY—THE ESTIMATES, AND THE IMPROVING TRADE OF THE COUNTRY.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The time of the House was exclusively devoted to the consideration of private bills, and to eulogies upon deceased members. Two private bills were passed. Of these, one was for the relief of Thomas Hillhouse, Assistant United States Treasurer at New-York, from the responsibility for the loss of the internal revenue stamps to the amount of $185,000, embezzled by Norton, the defaulting clerk. In the discussion of private bills, reference was made to an evil of which every member of Congress is conscious, and some very important suggestions concerning private claims against the Government were made. Mr. Garfield stated that the House has thrown such technical difficulties in the way of the prosecution of claims on the part of citizens that the advocacy of private interests before Congress has come to be regarded as disreputable. This was wrong. He thought that private citizens were too seriously hampered in their attempts to obtain judgment from the country, and that frequently great wrongs were done in consequence. He thought the time would come, if it had not come already, when the propriety of appointing a commission to sit as a court, where private claims might have the protection of legal forms of procedure, would be favorably considered. Mr. Willard went further than this, and maintained that fraudulent claims were often, through lobbying influences, passed by unanimous consent, while good claims were rejected. Mr. Holman exercised his traditional function as the great objector in opposing all claims, and deserved to be told by Mr. Frye, as he was, that he looked upon every citizen, honest or otherwise, who presented a claim to Congress as a pirate seeking the destruction of the ship of state.

THE LATE HON. JAMES BROOKS.

There have rarely been more graceful or touching eulogies than were pronounced in the House this afternoon by Messrs. Cox, Wood, Dawes and Kelley, on Mr. James Brooks. They were not formal manifestations of parliamentary courtesy. All seemed to feel the untimely death of Mr. Brooks, and to have forgotten the bickerings and wranglings of the last days of his life. The career of Mr. Brooks as a journalist led Messrs. Wood and Dawes to comment upon the journalism of the day. Their remarks showed in an unpleasant manner the exceeding sensitiveness of public men of all parties to the criticism of the public press.

THE NAVAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Mr. Hale, having the Naval Appropriation bill in charge, was defeated in his attempt to force final action upon it. The House defeated his motion by filibustering. The members preferred generally to await the printing of the report of the Secretary of the Navy before voting upon this Appropriation bill.

GENERAL BUSINESS AND THE APPROPRIATIONS.

The general business prosperity of the country induces members having special Appropriation bills in charge to believe that it will prove unnecessary to make any considerable reduction of the estimates. This is especially true with regard to the river and harbor and the public buildings appropriations. It is urged in this respect that as the Appropriation bills do not go into effect until July 1 next, it would be injudicious to legislate on the assumption that the condition of the country during the last three months would not be improved before Midsummer, and it is further urged that to suspend the work on public buildings would, in many localities, where large numbers of workmen are employed, only result in perpetuating a condition of panic. It seems probable that efforts will be made to postpone the consideration of the river and harbor and of the public buildings appropriations until later in the session, in the hope that the financial condition of the country will have so improved that the public will not demand reductions in these especial appropriations. This is an indication of the difficulties to be met in the attempts to reduce the expenses of the Government. The pressure for the expenditure of public money in the Congressional districts increases every year, and but for the financial condition of the Treasury, would be greater this Winter than ever before.

MR. CESSNA AND THE CHORPENNING CLAIM.

The Chorpenning claim was again called to the attention of the House to-day, through an incidental allusion upon the reference of a bill. It is manifest that Messrs. Dawes and Beck will very bitterly oppose it. Mr. Beck stated that the Chorpenning Memorial should never have been referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, of which Mr. Cessna is a member, for the reason, as Mr. Beck put it, that it would allow Mr. Cessna to sit in judgment upon his own case. It has been discovered that the petition and papers which it was supposed were in Mr. Cessna's desk, have found their way, by sharp practice on his part, to the Judiciary Committee, of which he is a member.

TRANSPORTATION.

The first definite attempt of the Southern and Western members to secure unity of action with reference to the transportation schemes will be made to-morrow night, when a public meeting is called for that purpose. The proposition for such a sectional combination in Congress continues to meet great opposition, on the ground that it will tend to excite sectional prejudices.

OFFICIAL STAMPS.

In reply to the resolution of the Senate making inquiry as to the use of official postage-stamps, the Secretary of State says that the stamps for his department are placed in the custody of the Disbursing Clerk, who is authorized by the Secretary to issue them to the Secretary of State, the Assistant Secretaries, the Chief Clerk, the Examiner of Claims, and the Dispatch Agents at New-York and Boston. It is not the practice of the department, when asking for information to inclose official stamps for return postage. The Postmaster General, in his reply, indicates the officers who are furnished with stamps, and the whole number, including Route Agents and Postmasters, is 35,317. The department does not inclose postage when asking information, except when addressing Senators and members of Congress and others to consult upon the appointment of Postmasters. In such cases, the information being for the benefit of the public service, the department has felt it incumbent upon itself to inclose official stamps for the payment of the return postage.

SALE OF MILITARY RESERVATIONS RECOMMENDED.

The Secretary of War, yesterday, sent to the Senate a recommendation for legislation by Congress authorizing the sale of the military reservation at Camp Crittenden and Old Camp Grant, Arizona Territory. The posts have been abandoned, and are no longer needed for military purposes.

EXPENDITURES FOR BUILDINGS AND HIGHWAYS.

The reply of the Treasury Department to the inquiry by Congress as to the expenditures in the States and Territories for public works, railroads, canals, and wagon roads, has been transmitted to the House. The statement is made distinctly as to each of the two branches of the inquiry, one as to public works from 1865 to 1873, which is for the most part comprised in public buildings, and the other for railroads, canals, and wagon-roads, from 1789 to 1873. The total under the first head is $103,294,501; under the second head it is $104,705,163. For public buildings, from 1865 to 1873, the expenditures in the New-England States were between eleven and twelve million dollars; in the State of New-York, over $15,500,000; in New-Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware and Maryland together, about $5,506,000. The expenditures in the District of Columbia were nearly $56,000,000; in all the Southern States of Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, Arkansas, Missouri, and Kentucky about $9,000,000; in the Western States and Territories, including Ohio and Michigan, and all the States further west except those in the South-west, about $26,000,000. The expenditures in some of the Western States, in round numbers, were as follows: Ohio, $1,000,000; Illinois, $8,750,000; Michigan, $3,750,000; Wisconsin, $1,750,000; Iowa, $2,500,000, and California near $6,000,000. Under the second branch of the inquiry nearly all the expenditures have been made in the West and South. Maine has $137,000 and New-York $3,500. The other New-England and Middle States, except Delaware and Maryland, have nothing. In nearly all the Southern and Western States quite extensive expenditures for railroads, canals, and wagon-roads have been made. The greater part of the total expenditure under the second head, however, consists of subsidies to the Pacific Railroad, amounting to over $70,000,000. The movers of this inquiry have shown what they did not intend or expect, that the West has had its full share of the expenditures of the General Government for public works.

THE SENATE AND THE SALARY QUESTION.

After five full days of discussion of the Salary Repeal bill, the Senate has adjourned over till Monday without completing action upon the measure. The bill was taken from the Committee of the Whole into the Senate to-day, and there is an opportunity to consider again all the votes that have been taken, and to offer and vote on new amendments. The Senate in Committee of the Whole voted to substitute for the bill before the Senate the amendment offered by Mr. Hamilton repealing the increase of all salaries under the law of last March. The matter will come before the Senate again whether this action of the Committee of the Whole shall be confirmed or not, but before taking a vote on that various amendments to the original bill passed by the House have been made, and others will be offered. On motion of Mr. Edmunds the House bill was changed so as to make the salary $5,000 instead of $6,000. A further amendment was offered, reducing the rate of mileage from twenty cents per mile to ten, and this proposition is still pending. If this amendment shall be adopted, the question will then arise whether Mr. Hamilton's amendment shall finally be substituted for the House bill. It will be seen from this statement that the uncertainty as to the final action of the Senate is as great to-day as yesterday. There was, this afternoon, quite a spirited and interesting discussion of the mileage system, and some very good reasons were presented why the present system was proper in its method of remuneration for traveling expenses, though it was generally conceded that the amount was too large.

CANADA.

THE ONTARIO LEGISLATURE—SPEECH OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

TORONTO, Ontario, Jan. 9.—The Legislature met at 3 P. M. to-day. Lieut. Gov. Crawford delivered a speech from the throne, in which he expressed gratification at meeting for the first time the representatives of the people of the province of Ontario, and congratulated the members on the prosperity of the province during the past year, as evinced in the completion of railways and the steady advancement in the various departments of enterprise and industry. He was pleased to know that the means devised for the promotion of immigration already show satisfactory results, and rejoiced at the prospect of a further increase during the present year of the number of immigrants to the province. School bills, with some alterations and additions, would be submitted for consideration. Bills would be laid before the House for increasing the freedom and purity of elections by adopting the principle of voting by ballot; by extending the franchise to some important classes of fellow-subjects now excluded by the present law; to enable all societies and companies which are now illegal to obtain the right of holding property, and conducting their affairs in their own names, without the expenses attending special acts of incorporation by the Legislature; and for regulating the distribution of moneys voted out of the public funds for charity, by proportioning payments to the respective institutions aided. Other measures, designed to promote various objects, would be submitted for consideration. He congratulates the House on the general favor with which the people in every part of the province received the act of last session respecting the complicated question of the debts due to the Municipal Loan Fund. The Joint Commission appointed to determine the boundary line between Ontario and Quebec had made considerable progress during the past year, and a question having arisen as to the locality of the head of Lake Semiscarig, a compromise line has been proposed and will be submitted for approval. The collection of evidence with respect to the north-west boundary is still going on, and evidence for and against their claims will soon be in proper state to be referred to some tribunal for arbitration.

The speech of the Lieutenant Governor referred to public accounts, and stated that the expenditures for the year had been considerably less than the amount authorized, and the revenue had exceeded the amount anticipated. Estimates for the present year would be submitted. They are formed with every regard to economy compatible with efficiency of the public service.

The attendance on the opening of the House was very large and fashionable. A number of new members were sworn in, and, after the routine business, the House adjourned till to-morrow.

A BELLIGERENT SHERIFF.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Jan. 9.—Letters from Sebastian County state that Monday last the Board of Supervisors met at Greenwood. The Sheriff presented his bond as Collector for the county, and as he did so drew two pistols and laid them on the table, telling the board they dare not reject his bond. Thereupon the board adjourned until yesterday. On Wednesday a warrant was obtained for the arrest of the Sheriff, and a Constable, with a posse of fifty men, started to arrest him, but nothing has yet been heard from them. Serious trouble is apprehended.

HEAVY SALE OF COTTON.

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 9.—Atlanta is looming up as a cotton mart. C. H. Strong & Co. to-day sold to Mr. S. M. Inman over 1,100 bales of cotton in one lot. This is the heaviest single transaction in cotton ever made in the city.

THE CHIEF JUSTICESHIP.

CALEB CUSHING NOMINATED.

NO ACTION YET BY THE SENATE—SENATORS AND OTHERS TAKEN BY SURPRISE.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The nomination of Hon. Caleb Cushing to be Chief Justice was determined upon in the early part of the Cabinet meeting to-day, and was immediately sent to the Senate. The announcement was wholly unexpected. There was an informal consultation of members of the Judiciary Committee and other prominent Senators, at which there was manifested a disposition to waive the formal reference of the nomination to a committee and confirm Mr. Cushing immediately. The recent unanimous confirmation of his nomination to be Minister to Spain was a sufficient reason, if there were no other, for concluding that investigation by a committee was undesirable. In the Executive Session, this afternoon, the case of Judge Hughes, of Virginia, about which there is a sharp contest waging, was taken up, and consumed the entire time. Mr. Sumner desired Mr. Cushing's immediate confirmation. Mr. Cushing's appointment is opposed by several Senators. Mr. Cushing, though nearly seventy-four years old, is possessed of better health and greater physical vigor than most men of fifty, and apparently he has years of work before him. His industry and capacity for labor are wonderful, and his intellectual attainments are greater than at any former period of his life. His study of letters has never been remitted, and will be continued through his whole life. As he is over seventy years old it is erroneously thought by some that he can immediately retire from the Bench and retain his salary for life. The law requires ten years' service on the bench before retirement on pay.

OBJECTIONS URGED AGAINST MR. CUSHING.

From an Occasional Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The nomination of Caleb Cushing for Chief Justice was received with great surprise by the Senate. That the President should see fit to go outside of the Republican Party to find a candidate for the highest office within his gift, caused much comment. The objections against Cushing on the part of some of the Administration Senators lie in his having been a life-long Democrat, his extreme age, and, last and most important, in the fact that Mr. Cushing has already expressed himself in decided terms against the reconstruction measures of Congress, saying that he considered them unconstitutional. Notwithstanding all these objections, the Senate will, no doubt, confirm his nomination next Monday or Tuesday.

MR. CUSHING HIMSELF SURPRISED.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The nomination of Caleb Cushing to be Chief Justice occasioned much surprise in all quarters to-day, and was a matter of astonishment to himself, as he had made his arrangements to leave this country on the 24th inst. for Madrid, in the capacity of United States Minister, and had no intimation of the additional honor to be conferred upon him. When Gen. Babcock appeared at the main door of the Senate, this afternoon, announcing a message from the President in writing, every eye was turned upon him, as it was generally believed the packet he held in his hand contained the nomination for Chief Justice. Senator Conkling, who sits near the middle aisle, intercepted the messenger on his way to the desk, and, taking the list of nominations from him, hurriedly glanced over them, exclaiming, in a tone loud enough to be heard in the galleries, "Chief Justice." At this a large number of Senators jumped from their seats and gathered about him, and in a moment the name of "Caleb Cushing" was audibly whispered from Senator to Senator on the floor. Senator Thurman remained in animated conversation with Senator Conkling for some time. Senators Sumner and Boutwell had their heads together, and the unusual hum of conversation on the floor indicated that the nomination caused quite a sensation.

The nomination of Gen. Cushing recalls the fact that, after the death of Calef Justice Chase, the President's first choice as his successor was Senator Conkling, who declined the appointment. Then he made up his mind to nominate Gen. Cushing, it being thought by him that toward the close of his Administration Gen. Cushing would retire from the bench by reason of age, when the place thus vacated could be filled by Attorney General Williams, whom the President desired should meantime remain in the Cabinet. Gen. Cushing's nomination not being at the time acceptable to the majority of the Cabinet, inclined the President to hasten his purpose with regard to Mr. Williams, and now, after the withdrawal of the nomination of Mr. Williams at his own request, the President has returned to his original position, and, after a Cabinet consultation, has nominated Caleb Cushing. This nomination having been read in executive session, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. No effort was made to have it considered without such reference. In view of the reports heretofore prevalent as to the nomination of Senator Morton for the Chief Justiceship, it is proper to say that he was neither consulted nor tendered the appointment.

Gen. Cushing's name first occurs on the rolls of the Supreme Court in December, 1833, when he appeared as Attorney General under Mr. Pierce's administration.

A RAILROAD ACCIDENT—TWO CARS DESTROYED.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 9.—The New-York through train on the Little Miami Road, due in Cincinnati this morning, was between 3 and 6 o'clock partially thrown from the track at what is known as "Dangers Crossing," twenty miles north-east of this city. A broken rail was the occasion. The locomotive went over all right, but the tender jumped, and stood at right angles with the track. The express and baggage cars nearest the engine were smashed, and the second baggage car left its trucks, bounded to the top of the two cars in front, slid several rods, and landed on the locomotive a total wreck, completely imprisoning, but not injuring, the engineer and firemen. The third baggage car was thrown down the bank and smashed, while the coaches were all left on the track. All the baggage cars were occupied, but none of the occupants were dangerously hurt. All the passengers escaped without a scratch or bruise. Very sudden curves are a feature of the locality, and the crossing has been the scene of many fatal accidents.

THE CENTENNIAL EXPOSITION BUILDING.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 9.—A meeting of the Board of State Centennial Supervisors was held this afternoon. The committee appointed by the Board of Supervisors to co-operate with the Director General of the United States Centennial Commission and the architects in perfecting the designs, plans, and specifications for a permanent centennial exposition building, as presented by act of legislation, reported in favor of the design as presented to the board on Dec. 19 by the Centennial Commission. The architects suggested various modifications, with the view of reducing the cost of the structure. The committee approved certain changes, but believe that the size of the building and dome cannot be further reduced without harm to the appearance and character of the building. The report was accepted by the board.

The means for the erection of the memorial building will be furnished by this city and State. The board recommends that the Centennial Commission and Board of Finance contract for the erection of the building as early as practicable. It will cost a million and a half dollars. A resolution was also adopted authorizing the board to enter into a contract with the Board of Finance Commissioners of Fairmount, and representatives of the city, fixing and defining the conditions on which a permanent Centennial Exposition building may be erected in Fairmount Park.

CALIFORNIA.

THE STEAM-SHIP CHINA—REWARD FOR THE CAPTURE OF A NOTORIOUS BANDIT.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 8.—Much anxiety is felt here for the safety of the steam-ship China, from Hong Kong and Yokohama.

The Legislature has passed a bill authorizing the Governor to offer a reward of $15,000 for the capture of the notorious bandit Vasquez and his band. It is reported that Vasquez is in this city at the present time.

THE WEATHER.

FRESHETS IN MAINE.

LEWISTON, Me., Jan. 9.—The storm, which lasted nearly a week, cleared off this morning. The weather is still warm, and the snow has nearly all disappeared. The rains have caused a serious freshet in Sandy River. Yesterday a drive of logs came down, with fragments of several bridges. Four bridges are reported carried away or damaged.

THE STORM IN CANADA.

TORONTO, Ontario, Jan. 9.—Telegraphic communication in the Dominion is still very much impeded by the late storm.

RISE OF THE CONNECTICUT RIVER.

HARTFORD, Conn., Jan. 9.—The water in the Connecticut River reached twenty-three feet and ten inches above the low-water mark. The water is not rising now.

THE ICE IN THE KENNEBEC RIVER.

AUGUSTA, Me., Jan. 9.—The ice moved down the Kennebec River this P. M., leaving the river open from the dam to the mile rack. A small schooner was carried away from the wharf, and is jammed into the ice a mile below the bridge. The river is still slowly rising.

DESTRUCTION OF TELEGRAPH LINES.

TORONTO, Ontario, Jan. 9.—The late sleet-storm has been the most destructive to telegraph wires of any ever experienced here. Communication east and south-west from this point has been almost entirely suspended since Wednesday last.

NAVIGATION OPEN.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Jan. 9.—Two steam-tugs passed here to-day, going north, with fourteen canal-boats in tow. They will be able to reach Albany without any difficulty.

THE SIGNAL OFFICE WEATHER REPORT.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10—1 A. M.—The area of least pressure is now apparently central, north of and near Lake Huron; clear or fair weather, with light southerly winds, continues in New-England; the cloudiness has increased, with less pressure and without any decided change of temperature in the Middle and South Atlantic States; light to fresh south-westerly winds and rain and snow, are reported from the lower lake region and the western portion of the Middle States; clear weather, with higher temperature and light westerly winds, prevail in Alabama.

PROBABILITIES.

For New-England, the Middle States, and the lower lake region, light to fresh south-easterly and south-westerly winds will prevail, with areas of rain in the interior during the day. The cloudiness will increase on the Middle and East Atlantic Coasts, followed by rain during the evening.

For the South Atlantic States, generally cloudy weather, with light rain on the coast, the pressure and temperature changing but slightly.

For the Gulf States, partly cloudy or clear weather with south-westerly to north-westerly winds and lower temperature.

Telegraphic reports have not been received from the lower lake region, westward to the Missouri Valley, and southward to the Gulf coast.

IN THIS CITY.

The following record shows the changes in the temperature during the last twenty-four hours, as recorded at Hudnut's drug store, No. 213 Broadway: 3 A. M., 34°; 6 A. M., 33°; 9 A. M., 34°; 12 M., 42°; 3 P. M., 46°; 6 P. M., 44°; 9 P. M., 40°; 12 P. M., 39°; average 39°.

THE WILL OF PROF. AGASSIZ.

BOSTON, Jan. 9.—The will of Prof. Louis Agassiz, at the Probate Office, in Cambridge, is as follows:

First—I give and bequeath to my son, Alexander E. R. Agassiz, such of my scientific books as he may select from my library, hoping that when he shall have no further use for them he will add them to the rest of my library of scientific books, which I hereby give to the Museum of Comparative Zoölogy in Cambridge.

Second—I give and devise all the rest of my estate, now owned and hereafter acquired, unto my beloved wife, Elizabeth C. Agassiz, to hold to her, her heirs and assigns, forever. I make no provision for either of my daughters, Ida and Pauline, not from any want of affection, but for the reason that my house in Cambridge (subject to mortgage) is the only remaining piece of property that I have to dispose of. I appoint my wife aforesaid to be the sole executor of this, my will, and I direct that she be exempted from giving security on her bond as such.

Dated Nov. 29, 1869.

(Signed,) L. AGASSIZ.

Though Mrs. Agassiz was exempted from giving bonds by the will, she has preferred to do so in the sum of $40,000.

SUPPOSED BANK DEFALCATION.

LOWELL, Mass., Jan. 9.—There is little doubt that John H. Buttrick, Cashier of the Wamesit National Bank, is a defaulter, but the amount cannot be readily ascertained. The books appear to have been loosely kept. Bank Examiner Needham and the Directors are busy investigating the matter. The capital of the bank is $200,000. Charles Whitney, of Boston, is President of the bank.

FIRE IN HELENA, MONTANA.

SALT LAKE, Jan. 9.—It is reported here that Helena, Montana Territory, is nearly destroyed by a fire, which commenced this morning in Chinatown, at 6:30 o'clock, and swept away nearly the whole of the city. The International and Cosmopolitan Hotels, the First National Bank, and every frame building on Main street above the St. Louis Hotel, have been destroyed. Yan's & Blein's large fire-proof store, and the office of the Western Union Telegraph Company are also destroyed. A strong wind was blowing at the time, and nothing could stop the progress of the flames. Telegraphic communication will be established during the day.

THE BOSTON POST OFFICE.

BOSTON, Jan. 9.—The Boston Common Council has adopted a resolution expressing the opinion that the United States Government is in honor bound to extend the Post Office building to Congress street, as agreed upon, and in accordance with which arrangement the city had expended half a million of dollars on streets in that vicinity. A committee was appointed to proceed to Washington, in company with the Mayor, to attend to the interests of the city in the matter.

THE CONCORD NATIONAL SAVINGS BANK.

CONCORD, N. H., Jan. 9.—A meeting of the Trustees of the National Savings Bank was held last night, at which the old Trustees resigned, and a new board was elected to fill the vacancies. Judge Fowler is a Trustee at the present time. George Jones, of Warner, has been elected Treasurer. It is expected he will accept the position soon, and the business be resumed, when a pro rata of per cent. will be paid to such depositors as desire it.

WASHINGTON TOPICS.

THE VIRGINIUS INVESTIGATION.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The naval officers at Key West, who are familiar with the Virginius, have been summoned to give their testimony before the Court of Inquiry convened here. It is probable that the court will remain in session another week.

RECEPTIONS.

The first of the receptions by Secretary and Mrs. Fish was given to-night, and is the principal social event of the season thus far. Representatives of foreign Governments, members of the Cabinet, Senators, Representatives, officers of the army and navy, and many ladies were present.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

THE PROPOSED REDUCTION OF THE ARMY.

The statements of Secretary Belknap to-day, and of Adjutant General Townsend yesterday before the House Committee on Military Affairs supplemented and confirmed in most particulars the opinions expressed by Gen. Sherman in connection with the proposed reduction of the army. They show that the existing twenty-five regiments of infantry, ten of cavalry, and five of artillery are all kept employed in keeping the Indians in subjection, garrisoning posts and fortifications, supplying escorts to Boundary Commissioners, picketing the Pacific Railroads, and in other duties of great public importance. The army appropriations for several years past have been on so economical a scale that the War Department has not been able, on account of the expense, to make changes of regiments which have been for seven or eight years past stationed in unhealthy parts of the country. The uncertainty as to the action of Congress in regard to army reduction is represented as having a very injurious effect on the officers, who, from the feeling of uncertainty as to retaining their commissions, are losing that regard for their profession and *esprit de corps* which is so necessary in the army.

THE WAR DEPARTMENT ESTIMATES.

Secretary Belknap says that although he assented to the reduction of the estimates, the army at its present state cannot be maintained for the amount of the reduced appropriations, and that in order to keep within the amount recommended, recruiting will have to be stopped, either entirely or partially. A remarkable fact in connection with the army is that the average annual reduction "based on the experience of the last three years," through deaths, desertions, and expiration of service, is over 16,000, and of this figure over 7,000 is under the head of desertions. Secretary Belknap does not entirely coincide with Gen. Sherman as to the uselessness of our sea-coast fortifications generally, but, on the contrary, thinks that they ought to be completed and rendered more effective, particularly in New-York, Boston, Portland, New-Orleans, and on the Florida coast.

JUDGE BUSTEED'S CASE.

Judge Busteed, of the District Court of the United States for the State of Alabama, has addressed a pamphlet of five printed pages to each individual member of the House Judiciary Committee, alluding to Mr. Hoar's original resolution with reference to his alleged judicial misconduct, introduced in 1873; and giving a statement under oath of the times when, and the places in Alabama where, during 1870 to 1873, he has held courts and transacted other business pertaining to his judicial office. He concludes in speaking of Mr. Hoar's resolution: "If it is fashioned after the model of the wooden horse of the Greeks, I am ready to meet any accusation it contains when it shall come from its concealment. I ask only one favor from your hands, and I ask this as much in the interest of justice and fair dealing as for myself. It is, that in any investigation you see fit to institute, that I be allowed to confront my accusers and cross-examine them before your committee. This was granted me by both of the Judiciary Committees of the former Congress. It was all I asked then. It is all of mere grace I shall ever ask from any Committee of Inquiry."

WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

A memorial was filed in the House to-day by Mr. Shanks from the Indianapolis Woman Suffrage Association in opposition to the repeal by Congress of the right of female suffrage in the Territories. They oppose such a measure because it contemplates a step backward in the progress which this nation has for nearly a century been making toward the ideal of a just Government, whose powers are derived from the consent of the governed, as foreshadowed in the Declaration of Independence, "because it will be an act of gross injury to nearly one-half of the pioneers of civilization who have braved the hardships and dangers of frontier life, and who justly claim a voice in the Government which may dispose of their lives, their liberty, and property, and because such a repeal proposes a return to the barbarous usages of the Dark Ages, a step wholly unworthy the intelligence and refinement of the nineteenth century." The memorial was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

NAVAL ORDERS.

Lieut. A. B. H. Lillie is ordered to the Brooklyn; Master Fred. E. Upton to the Pawnee; Surgeon J. H. Tinkham, Paymaster A. S. Kenny, Acting Boatswain, Thomas W. Brown, Carpenter A. N. Whitehouse, and Sailmaker J. W. North to the Roanoke; Commander James A. Green is detached from duty as a member of the Board of Inspectors, and placed on waiting orders; Acting Assistant Surgeon C. D. White from the Boston Navy-yard, and ordered to the Roanoke; Gunner John Gaskina from the Vermont, and ordered to the Roanoke.

CUSTOMS AND INTERNAL REVENUE.

The receipts from Customs are so variable as to afford no data at present on which to base hopeful calculations concerning the future. It is, however, supposed at the Treasury Department that in about ten days the receipts will be more uniform. The Commissioner of Internal Revenue is much encouraged by the receipts of his bureau. Thus far for this month they are $3,000,000, and the prospect is they will soon be restored to what they were before the late panic, thus fulfilling his calculation of $100,000,000 annually.

RELIEF OF THE TREASURY.

Several of the members of the Appropriation Committees think the estimates will be cut down about $10,000,000, but that this will not be sufficient to bring the expenditures of the Government within the receipts from all sources for the next fiscal year. Therefore some measure of Treasury relief will be necessary. As to what this shall be there is at present no indication. Congress will not act hastily on the subject.

NOMINATIONS.

The President has nominated Seth M. Barber to be Pension Agent at Cleveland, Ohio; H. B. Swoope to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Pennsylvania; George R. Peck to be United States Attorney for Kansas; James E. Bangs, of the District of Columbia, to be Secretary of the commission for determining the boundary line between the United States and British possessions, between Lake of the Woods and the Rocky Mountains.

TREASURY BALANCES—REVENUE RECEIPTS.

The balances in the Treasury at the close of business to-day were: Currency, $4,334,344; special deposit of legal tenders for redemption of certificates of deposit, $39,285,000; coin, $63,325,346, including in coin certificates, $42,220,700; outstanding legal tenders, $381,231,000; the receipts of internal revenue to-day were $335,500.

JUDGE DURELL, OF LOUISIANA.

It is stated by Louisianians here now that Judge Durell, of that State, has placed his resignation at the disposal of the President.

THE TAX ON MATCHES.

The Committee of Ways and Means to-day instructed its Chairman to report adversely on the bills to remove the taxes on friction matches by stamps.

THE WASHINGTON NATIONAL MONUMENT.

The Trustees of the Washington National Monument Fund at a meeting yesterday appointed a committee to take charge of the interests of the association before Congress with a view to immediate action on the House report of 1872, in which an appropriation of $260,000 to aid in the completion of the monument is recommended.

THE POSTAL CONTRACT.

Postmaster General Creswell appeared before the House Committee on Appropriations, to-day, to inform them of the embarrassing situation in which the department contracts for postal cards had been placed recently, by a decision of the Assistant Attorney General for the Post Office Department, who holds that said contract conflicts with the joint resolution of 1868 prohibiting contracts for stationery for a longer period than one year. Mr. Creswell thinks the law is susceptible of broader construction; but, to remove all doubt on the question, seeks an authoritative construction, or, if necessary, the amendment of it at the hands of Congress.

INDIAN RESERVATION IN OREGON.

To-day the recommendation of Senator Mitchell to have 800 square miles, or 512,000 acres of the Siletz and Alsea Indian Reservations in Oregon thrown open to settlement, by Executive order was submitted to Inspector Kemble for report, with instructions that the recommendation had the approval of the Department of the Interior. This leaves 100 square miles for the Indians, including their improvements and fishing grounds.

STATE LEGISLATURES.

THE GOVERNOR OF MINNESOTA'S MESSAGE.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Jan. 9.—The message of Gov. Austin, the retiring Governor, to-day, reports the financial affairs of the State in a prosperous condition, the balance in the Treasury being $218,428. The recognized bonded indebtedness is $450,000, being an increase of $210,000 since last year, the increase having been devoted to the extension and completion of public buildings. Owing to the increase of taxable valuation a decrease of $1,000,000 in the tax levy is considered practicable.

INAUGURAL ADDRESS OF GOV. DAVIS, OF MINNESOTA.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Jan. 9.—The inaugural address of Gov. Davis is devoted mainly to the discussion of new questions. He starts out by recommending an appropriation in aid of the sufferers on the frontier whose crops have been destroyed by grasshoppers, and also that the number of Judges of the Supreme Court should be increased from three to nine to enable the court to get through with its business promptly. The railroad question is exhaustively discussed. Referring to the last increase of three cents per bushel on freight on wheat by the Milwaukee and St. Paul and Chicago and North-western Railroads, Gov. Davis says that if any administration should commit such acts as this in performing the functions of taxation, it would be deposed by an indignant constituency. The law of 1871, prescribing the maximum rates for freight and passengers, of the constitutionality of which the Governor has no doubt, has been systematically violated by every railroad in the State. He suggests that the State undertake the duty of prosecuting and punishing the violators of the laws, receiving a moiety of the resolving penalty as indemnity for expenses. He adds that there is another way to relief in which the so-called vested rights of the companies can be conceded to the fullest extent. It is by a constitutional amendment, prescribing that when any statute is enacted in favor, or for the benefit, of the railroad companies, at its instance the company shall, by the mere force of the beneficial enactment, be subject to such duties and control by the State as the constitutional amendment shall impose. Favorable and enabling legislation from year to year is so much matter of no necessity to compass, that such an amendment will in course of time do much to annihilate self-regulations, which have, by an oppressive enforcement, caused people to assume their present attitude toward railroad corporations. The Governor argues that the Winona and St. Peter Railroad Company should pay three per cent. upon its gross earnings since 1865, making the amount due the State from that company, $61,498. The matter of disposal by railroad companies of the whole or part of their lands to Trustees, so that one organization owns the road and another the lands, which is the case in several instances, is denounced as a device, and the power to escape paying tax is alluded to, and a recommendation is made that the lands be placed on the tax-list and tax collected for the years during which the property has been thus held.

OPENING OF THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE.

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., Jan. 9.—Both Houses organized to-day. Liberty Billings was re-elected President of the Senate, *pro tem.*, by two-thirds majority. J. M. Martin was elected Speaker of the Assembly by Conservative votes. The Governor's message was read. He alludes to the severe illness which has kept him from his duties for the past year. He sympathizes with the people of the State in their losses by the ravages of the caterpillar and the financial troubles of the country. He congratulates them on the era of good feeling and the abatement of political strife and lawlessness. He represents the financial condition of the State as encouraging, although impaired by a breach of faith on the part of the Trustees of the Agricultural College Fund, and, on investigation, with heavy expenses, he says, there has been no increase of indebtedness, and that the revenue has been better assessed and collected and paid into the Treasury of the State than ever before. He urges retrenchment, and suggests some other sources of revenues, such as taxing all insurance companies doing business in the State. He demands respect for the law which created the issue of bonds for the extension of the Jacksonville, Pensacola and Mobile Railroad to Pensacola, and the vested right under it till set aside by the courts, and to prevent speculators from getting hold of the road under bogus claims, and recommends the Legislature to protect these interests of the people. He recommends the appointment of a commission for the International Exhibition of 1876, and the submission of the annexation of West Florida to Alabama to the people. He deplores the action of the Attorney General in the case of Voz vs. The Trust Internal Improvement Fund, and asks legislation because of the embarrassment of the Government on account of the Attorney General refusing to resign. He expresses sympathy with struggling Cubans, and alludes favorably to the schools and militia of the State, and hopes for the completion of the Great Southern Railroad. He concludes with congratulations on the general prosperity of the State.

MISSOURI LEGISLATURE.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 9.—A resolution was passed by the House to-day condemning in severe terms the President and every member of the Forty-second Congress who voted for or took the back pay, and demanding that no Democrat who had voted for it from Missouri should be elevated to any office of trust or profit. During the discussion Gov. Woodson was condemned for the appointment of Gov. F. P. Blair as State Superintendent of Insurance, and the Democrats were condemned for voting for Fernando Wood for Speaker.

The vote on the passage of the resolution was 102 yeas to 14 nays.

CONSERVATIVE CAUCUS.

RICHMOND, Va., Jan. 9.—The session of the caucus of the Conservative members of the Legislature to select a candidate for the United States Senate, which commenced last night, was resumed to-night. No nominations were made, and balloting commenced, each member voting as he saw fit as his name was called. Ten ballots were taken with varying results. In the first ballot twelve names were voted for. Lieut. Gov. Withers led the list in all the ballots, the last of which was narrowed down to five names, and resulted as follows: R. E. Withers, 28; R. M. T. Hunter, 26; John Goode, 25; A. H. H. Stuart, 25; Robert Ould, 20. At 11 o'clock the caucus adjourned till to-morrow.

LATEST NEWS BY CABLE.

FRANCE.

RESIGNATION OF THE CABINET TENDERED—PRESIDENT MACMAHON TRYING TO PERSUADE THEM TO RETAIN OFFICE.

PARIS Jan. 9.—The *Journal Officiel* announces that the members of the Cabinet have resigned, in consequence of the absence from the Assembly yesterday of a large number of their supporters, which resulted in the defeat of the Government.

President MacMahon begs the Ministers not to retire, but to await a vote of confidence, which will be passed by the Assembly to-day.

The *Figaro* says the members of the Cabinet have tendered their resignations, but President MacMahon is endeavoring to persuade them to remain in the Government.

RESTORATION OF CONFIDENCE PROBABLE.

LONDON, Jan. 9.—Special dispatches from Paris to the London morning journals state that the vote in the Assembly, yesterday, on the bill in relation to the appointment of Mayors by the Government is not regarded as important. A vote of confidence in the Government will be asked at the session to-day, and it is certain to be carried.

ADJOURNMENT OF THE ASSEMBLY TILL MONDAY.

PARIS, Jan. 9.—The Assembly to-day, at the request of Admiral Saisset, of the Left Centre, unanimously voted to adjourn until Monday. No action was taken on the Ministerial question. There was great excitement in the lobbies during the brief sitting.

PRESIDENT MACMAHON AND THE NEW CARDINALS.

PARIS, Jan. 9.—President MacMahon to-day performed the ceremony of delivering the hats to the newly-appointed French Cardinals. In his speech on the occasion he thanked the Pope for conferring these honors on citizens of France, and added: "The Holy Father knows our filial attachment and our admiration at the manner in which he supports his trials. His sympathies were with us in our misfortune, and ours are with him."

SPAIN.

REPRESENTATIVES ABROAD TO BE CHANGED

FORTY-THIRD CONGRESS.

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SENATE.

Petitions relating to the Bankruptcy law and asking that the Coasting act be so amended as not to affect canal-boats were presented. Bills were introduced, among other objects, to protect society in Utah and to aid in executing the laws there.

BILLS PASSED.

The bill for the relief of aged or infirm pre-emption settlers on public lands, and the House bill making an appropriation of $20,000 for legislative expenses of the Territory of Colorado, were passed.

REDUCTION OF BANK CAPITAL.

On motion of Mr. MORTON, of Indiana, the Senate bill authorizing national banks that have decided to reduce their capital stock to withdraw a proportion of the bonds upon returning their own circulating notes or depositing lawful money in the proportion provided by law, was taken up, together with the amendment of the Finance Committee, which provides that whenever such reduction shall be authorized any notes of such bank thereafter coming into the Treasury of the United States shall be canceled until the amount so canceled, together with such as shall be redeemed, shall equal the amount of reduction authorized.

Mr. BOUTWELL, of Massachusetts, said the opinion so generally manifested that the Government of the United States is existing with a vast amount of its paper in circulation which had been dishonored, was entirely erroneous. There was no obligation to pay the notes at any particular time. They were redeemable at the pleasure of the Government, and such was the spirit of the law.

Mr. MORRILL, of Vermont, said he was surprised at the statement of the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. Boutwell) undertaking to defend the right of the Government to postpone the day of paying its obligations. Without pretending to understand the niceties of the law, he knew that as a business man, if any individual undertook to give out such paper the courts would compel him to pay it. He believed the intention of the law was that the Government should pay these notes as early as possible.

Mr. HOWE, of Wisconsin, said if he were the Judge he would not give judgment against the Government on one of these notes. But it did not follow that because the law was defectively framed Congress was relieved from providing for the payment of the notes.

Mr. BOUTWELL said he had yet to learn how the public credit was improved or the character of the country benefited by the statement that we are living in financial dishonor. The nation could not be charged with dishonor when it had stipulated beforehand what it would do—that it would redeem these obligations in coin. While this process was going on the Government was under no obligations to bring it to a result at any particular time. He did not believe the nation was living in dishonor.

Mr. HOWE, of Wisconsin, said the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. Boutwell) had made the admission that for five or six years the Government had been acting in the direction of making its deferred promises equal in value to gold. He (Mr. Howe) did not see where the Government had taken any step to that end. Business had, but the Government had not.

THE SALARY BILL.

The Chair said the morning hour having expired the Senate resumes the consideration of the so-called Salary bill.

Mr. LEWIS moved that when the Senate adjourn to-day it be to meet on Monday next. Agreed to by yeas 32, nays 29.

Mr. SARGENT, of California, said he thought it unfortunate for the bill now under consideration that the Senate last evening adopted the amendment of the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. Hamilton.) He thought it unfortunate, too, that the Senator from Iowa (Mr. Wright) had thought proper to depart from the rule he laid down at the beginning of the discussion, to vote against all the amendments, and support the bill as reported by the committee, as to vote for that amendment because it agreed with the bill he introduced early in the session. He (Mr. Sargent) opposed that amendment because it singled out the President of the United States alone. His ears were to be nailed to a post for the next four years to receive all the jeers as the only one receiving the increased salary. He could not move a reconsideration of the amendment, not having voted for it, but hoped some Senator who had voted in the affirmative would move to reconsider.

Mr. HAMILTON said the President was not responsible for acts of this Congress, and had no doubt he could stand the law very well.

Mr. EDMUNDS said he did not know that the Senate was bound to know what public opinion is, or that it was bound to act upon it if it did know. Public opinion often grew up very suddenly, and he believed the terms of Senators had been made long on purpose that they might not be carried away on all occasions by public opinion.

Mr. CHANDLER thought his friend from Iowa (Mr. Wright) should have stood by the bill as it came from the committee, and voted against the amendment. He felt somewhat embarrassed now as to how he should vote, after his friend (Mr. Wright) had departed from the rule he laid down at the beginning. He favored the original proposition, and opposed all amendments.

Mr. WRIGHT did not believe the amendment of the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. Hamilton) would endanger the bill, and for that reason voted for it. The Senator from California (Mr. Sargent) had intimated that by voting for that amendment he had sought out the President as the only one to receive the odium of receiving increased salary. The salaries of Assistant Secretaries and others were increased by the bill as well as that of the President. The repeal did not affect them.

The amendment of Mr. Edmunds, offered last evening, that the reduction of salaries should take effect from March 4, 1873, and that the accounting officers of the Treasury shall compute the same accordingly, and make ratable monthly reductions from said salaries at the rate necessary to effect this provision within the nine months next hereafter, was rejected—yeas 20, nays 29.

Mr. BOREMAN, of West Virginia, moved to amend so that the salary of the President after March 4, 1877, should be $35,000 per annum. Lost.

Mr. CLAYTON, of Arkansas, moved to recommit the bill and the pending amendments to the Committee on Civil Service and Retrenchment, with instructions to report a bill looking to a general reduction of all salaries of Government officers, both civil and military, as far as it could be done, and that the salaries be equalized according to the nature of the services rendered.

Mr. KELLY, of Oregon, favored the recommittal. He believed in a general reduction of salaries, and thought the whole matter could be perfected as it should be in the committee.

Mr. CRAGIN, of New-Hampshire, hoped a vote on the bill would be reached to-day. If not, the discussion would run into next week. The Senate should vote and gratify the public demand on this question.

Mr. WRIGHT said he supposed one good reason to recommit the bill would be to continue the increased pay four or five months. He hoped the motion would not prevail.

Mr. Clayton's motion was lost. Nays 41, yeas 19.

The question then being on concurring in the Senate substitute for the House bill, Mr. Hamlin, pending the vote, moved to amend the House bill by fixing the salary of Senators, members, and delegates at $5,500 per annum, instead of $6,000.

Mr. EDMUNDS moved to amend the amendment by inserting $5,000 instead of $5,500. Agreed to—yeas 31, nays 28.

Mr. EDMUNDS moved to strike out in the House bill the words "actual individual expenses of each Senator, Representative, and delegate," and insert the words "mileage allowed by law prior to the passage of the act of March 3, 1873."

Mr. MORRILL, of Vermont, moved to insert before the word "mileage" the words "one half."

Mr. FERRY, of Connecticut, thought this question of mileage very objectionable, and it was the feature of the old law to which public opinion objected. He, therefore, opposed it.

Mr. EDMUNDS said he was astonished to hear his friend, Mr. Ferry, talk about public opinion after having spoke as if he did not care for it a few days ago. He thought mileage should be allowed, as members should be enabled to bring their families here.

Mr. HOWE said a friend asked him a few days ago if he intended to speak on this subject. He replied, "No, unless God should forget him." Now, he was afraid God had forgotten him. Indeed, it seemed as if He had forgotten them all. He thought the people of the United States were willing members of Congress should bring their families here, and the amount allowed under the law for mileage was not too large.

Mr. CAMERON, of Pennsylvania, thought this whole system of mileage wrong. It cost him but $5 to come from Harrisburg here, yet he received $48 mileage. It mattered very little to him whether he received three, five, or seven thousand dollars per annum, or six dollars per day, as when he first came here his salary generally supported him, and he spent it all. Members might go around every which way to get to the capital, and think themselves justified in drawing mileage for the whole distance traveled. The Government of the United States thinks it is right in sending the mail for Elmira from here to Baltimore, then to Philadelphia and New-York, and then to Elmira, though Elmira is nearer to Washington than it is to New-York. As to the increase of salaries, he was not opposed to it, and those who growled about it were not his friends. [Laughter.] He had intended to say nothing on this subject, and did not care exactly how he voted. It made but little difference to him, as he was getting old now. He did not believe the salaries too high, but did not care if they were cut down.

Mr. LEWIS moved that the Senate go into executive session. Lost.

Mr. THURMAN thought that this question of mileage had never been thoroughly understood. It was the intention of our forefathers to allow mileage, not for actual traveling expenses, but to compensate members for the time consumed in going to and returning from the capital. In the early history of the Government twenty miles' travel in one day was about all that could be accomplished, and the idea was to compensate members for time thus lost. The whole criticism on this system of mileage was brought about by the increased facilities in the manner of traveling. Now, instead of traveling twenty miles a day, one travels twenty miles an hour and gets five or six days' pay for one day's traveling.

Mr. CHANDLER, of Michigan, said, in his humble judgment, every member of Congress should travel with his family, and it was intended by our forefathers. Hence mileage was allowed by them, and he thought the twenty cents allowed not more than enough to pay the traveling expenses of a member and his family.

Mr. GORDON—The Senator speaks of bringing his family here. What can he do when he gets them here? Can he live on $5,000 a year?

Mr. CHANDLER—Yes. I have done it, and can do it again.

Mr. WINDOM favored the maintenance of the mileage system.

Mr. MORRILL's amendment was rejected.

Mr. CRAGIN offered an amendment that no mileage should be allowed for the first session of the Forty-third Congress. Adopted.

Mr. EDMUNDS' amendment was agreed to—yeas 35, nays 25.

Mr. MERRIMON, of North Carolina, moved to insert after the word "mileage," "and other allowance." Agreed to.

Mr. GORDON, of Georgia, offered an amendment to reduce the salaries of all army and navy officers whose pay exceeds $2,000 per annum, and of all heads of departments and other officers of the Government whose pay exceeds that sum, and is not fixed by the Constitution of the United States, at the rate of twenty-five per cent.

Mr. WRIGHT hoped the gentleman would not press the amendment now, as he did not desire to endanger the passage of this bill. Any other time he would gladly join the gentleman to effect this reduction.

Mr. GORDON hoped there would be a vote upon it. The people of the country demanded a practical economy, and they did not want the military elevated at the expense of the civil branch.

Mr. EDMUNDS moved to strike out that portion of the amendment relating to army and navy officers.

Mr. MORTON hoped that the bill to repeal the act of March 3 would not be embarrassed with this amendment, which undertook to make a General Salary law.

Mr. EDMUNDS said he was ready to inquire into the compensation of all officers of the Government, but would not favor reducing the salaries of men who had served their country faithfully.

Pending the discussion on the Salary bill, the Senate, at 4:45 P. M., went into executive session, and at 5:30 P. M. the doors were reopened, and the Senate adjourned until Monday.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

A number of bills were introduced and referred, including one by Mr. Randall, of Pennsylvania, to regulate the drawing and summoning of jurors in United States District and Circuit Courts.

THE FORTIFICATIONS.

Mr. STARKWEATHER, of Connecticut, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported the Fortification bill, which was made the special order for Wednesday next. The bill appropriates $994,000, including the following items:

Forts in Portland Harbor, Me.	$50,000
Forts in Portsmouth Harbor, N. H.	30,000
Forts in Boston Harbor, Mass.	40,000
Newport Harbor	20,000
Entrance to Narragansett Bay	20,000
New-London, Conn.	25,000
Willet's Point and Fort Schuyler, East River, New-York	55,000
Forts in New-York Harbor	60,000
Forts on Delaware River	85,000
Forts on Potomac River	40,000
Fortress Monroe, Va.	30,000
Forts Moultrie and Sumter, Charleston	40,000
Fort Pulaski, Savannah	20,000
Forts Jackson and Philip, Mississippi River	60,000
Fort Taylor, Key West	20,000
Forts in San Francisco Harbor	80,000
Torpedoes for harbor defenses	25,000
Contingencies of fortifications	75,000
Surveys and reconnoissances	30,000
Exploration and survey of Territories	30,000

STAMPS ON DRUGS.

Mr. SCHUMACKER, of New-York, presented a memorial of the druggists of New-York and Brooklyn for the repeal of the Internal Revenue laws requiring stamps on drugs.

THE BANKRUPTCY LAW.

Mr. O'NEILL, of Pennsylvania, presented a memorial from the National Board of Trade for a commission, consisting of the Attorney General and seven merchants, bankers, and manufacturers, to revise the Bankrupt law.

RELIEF OF ASSISTANT TREASURER HILLHOUSE.

Mr. E. H. ROBERTS, of New-York, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported a bill to credit Assistant Treasurer Hillhouse, of New-York, with $185,000, the proceeds of the sale of internal revenue stamps embezzled from his office, or without any neglect of his own. The bill was passed.

THE CHORPENNING CLAIM.

After a discussion, which turned on reference to the Chorpenning claim (just before the recess) to the Judiciary Committee, instead of to the Committee on Claims, Messrs. Dawes and Beck commented severely upon it, the reference having been made, not in open House, but by petition under the rule, and the latter gave notice that he would move to discharge the Judiciary Committee from the consideration of the subject, giving, as one reason therefor, that Mr. Cesana, of Pennsylvania, who was peculiarly connected with the claim, was a member of the Judiciary Committee, and would, therefore, be a judge of his own case.

PRIVATE BILLS.

A number of private bills were reported and passed.

DEATH OF MR. BROOKS.

At 3 o'clock the death of Mr. James Brooks was announced by his successor, Mr. Cox, and eulogies of the deceased were pronounced by Messrs. Cox and Wood, of New-York; Dawes, of Massachusetts, and Kelley, of Pennsylvania.

DEATH OF MR. FOSTER.

The death of Mr. W. D. Foster, of Michigan, was then announced, and two of his colleagues, Messrs. Waldron and Williams, delivered eulogies on his character.

The House then, at 4:15, adjourned, with the agreement that to-morrow's session should be devoted exclusively to debate.

A HOTEL-THIEF SENT TO STATE PRISON.

Clarence Brown, who describes himself as a book-keeper from Baltimore, was placed at the bar of the Court of General Sessions yesterday. Brown, who is known as a noted hotel-thief, was indicted on two charges of grand larceny—one for stealing a trunk, owned by Columbus Seguin, containing property valued at $1,079, from the Glenham Hotel, and the other for the larceny of Gen. James F. Casey's trunk, valued at $400, from the Fifth Avenue Hotel, on the 12th October. The prisoner offered to plead guilty to an attempt at grand larceny. Assistant District Attorney Rollins, however, would not accept this plea, whereupon the prisoner pleaded guilty to the offense charged, and was sent to State Prison for five years.

BOARD OF ASSISTANT ALDERMEN.

RE-ENACTING THE REORGANIZATION FARCE—QUESTION OF LEGALITY.

The second meeting of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, as reorganized, was held yesterday at the hour appointed for the session. The gallery of the chamber was densely crowded with laborers, who awaited the passage of resolutions providing for paving, &c., but they were doomed to disappointment. Mr. Joseph P. Strack, the new President, occupied the chair. The absence of all the Republican members, except Mr. Beyea, who declined to take an official part in the proceedings, was a noticeable feature of the session. When the minutes of the last meeting were approved, Assistant Alderman Clancy, under whose special auspices the reorganization was effected, repeated the former farce by moving that Mr. Strack be elected Chairman again. The motion was of course carried without opposition. Mr. Clancy also moved that the rules of order which governed the Board last year be readopted for 1874. This was also approved. A resolution adopted in caucus was next introduced and approved. It designated the following as attachés of the board: A Chief Clerk, at a salary of $2,500 a year, a Deputy Clerk at $1,800, a First Assistant Clerk at $1,200, Second Assistant Clerk at $1,100, a Record Clerk at $1,100, an Index Clerk at $1,100, a Journal Clerk at $1,000, a General Clerk at $1,000, a Sergeant at Arms at $1,200, a doorkeeper at $1,100, a messenger at $1,100, an assistant messenger at $800. The aggregate amount being $35,000 a year.

Mr. Clancy wound up the session by moving the appointment of the following standing committees for the present year:

Public Works—Messrs. Sommers, Keating, and Kreps.
Public Buildings—Keenan, Murphy, and Wisser.
Railroads—Healy, Keenan, Linden, Cumisky, and Theiss.
Roads—Cumisky, Thornell, and Brucks.
Pavements—Foley, Simonson, and Sommers.
Accounts—Sommers, Keenan, and Linden.
Arts and Sciences—Cumisky, Murphy, and Coddington.
Salaries and Officers—Brucks, Kehoe, and Wisser.
Sewers—Kelly, Wade, and Wisser.
Streets—Wilson, Theiss, and Linden.
Donations—Sommers, Wisser, and Wade.
Ferries—Healy, Kehoe, and Theiss.
Finances—Clancy, Sommers, and Wade.
Lamps and Gas—Foley, Beyea, and Brucks.
Law Department—Clancy, Keenan, and Thornell.
Markets—Kelly, Kehoe, Foley, Keating, and Beyea.
National Affairs—Theiss, Murphy, Cumisky, Simonson, and Coddington.
Ordinances—Brucks, Kehoe, and Sommers.
Printing and Advertising—Keating, Kreps, Beyea, Sommers and Theiss.
Public Health—Theiss, Wisser, and Cumisky.

The motion was adopted. It will be seen that the Republican members have been appointed on the committees, although they have declared the reorganization illegal. The board then adjourned.

Late in the afternoon the proceedings were sent by the new Clerk of the board, Mr. W. H. Moloney, to Supervisor Disbecker for publication in the *City Record*; but Mr. Disbecker refused to permit their insertion until they were indorsed by the Mayor. The Mayor, however, declined to act in the matter until the Corporation Counsel furnishes an opinion on the subject. This leaves the "reorganization" still in doubt.

ANOTHER BROOKLYN DEFALCATION.

FRAUDS IN THE TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE.

Among those departments which were placed under suspicion when the frauds in the Brooklyn Treasury were discovered, was the Department of Taxes, in which it was rumored grave irregularities existed, and for some time past the accounts of the Collector have been undergoing examination at the hands of the expert, Mr. Seaman, and from his reports to the Board of Audit it appears, according to the statement of the Controller, that a deficiency of $3,000 has been discovered, and there is reason to believe that suspicion points to a certain official as the defaulter. The Controller professes to know nothing concerning the Tax Collector's office, and even states that this apparent difference in the accounts may be explained satisfactorily by Collector Burrows or his assistants. The discrepancy was discovered in this way: When a bill is paid it is signed by the person receiving the money, and stamped with the office stamp, the corresponding entry in the tax-roll being stamped at the same time, thus placing a check upon the whole transaction and securing perfect accuracy. Upon comparing certain stamped entries upon the tax-roll with the cash-book of corresponding dates, the amounts received could not be found. Various sums of money, amounting to about $3,000, it was discovered had been received from the tax-payers, and, either through negligence or design, not entered on the cash-book, though they were stamped off on the roll. A large number of the bills have been sent for by the accountant, some of which have come to hand. Six of them, aggregating $1,500, were all receipted by A. W. Gill, the Deputy Collector, yesterday afternoon. Capt. Gill was still busy at his duty in the tax office. Capt. Gill has held various positions in the Tax Department for the past twenty years, and has been Deputy under Collector Burrows, Isaac Badeau, Edmund Driggs and other Collectors. Before his appointment by Mr. Burrows he gave bond for $20,000, Messrs. A. S. Wheeler and Isaac Badeau becoming his sureties for that amount. Corporation Counsel De Witt stated that every effort was being made to bring home the crime to the guilty parties, and effect their punishment. What measures had been or were to be taken it would be ill-advised to disclose at the present time, as by so doing the ends of justice might be defeated.

THE WORKING MEN'S DEMONSTRATION.

A conference was held yesterday morning between P. J. McGuire, a representative of the "Committee of Safety," who had applied on behalf of 20,000 unemployed working men for a permit to parade on Tuesday next, and Mayor Havemeyer, Police Commissioners Gardner and Smith, and Superintendent Matsell, in relation to the change in the route suggested by the Police Commissioners. It will be remembered that on Thursday, when the application was presented, it was proposed to assemble in Tompkins square and march through Eighth street to the Bowery, and through Canal street to Centre, and thence to the City Hall. The application was presented to the board and referred to President Smith. The board proposed to curtail the route of the procession, and not allow the processionists to go south of Canal street. The conference was to settle this disputed point. A long consultation was the result, but no definite agreement was arrived at, as it was found that Mr. McGuire was not clothed with full powers to answer for the men whom he claimed to represent. The matter has been referred to Commissioners Gardner and Duryee, and another conference with McGuire will be held to-day.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

In the Court of General Sessions, yesterday, Judge Sutherland presiding, Assistant District Attorney Rollins prosecuting, William R. Reeder pleaded guilty to petit larceny from the person, and was sent to the House of Refuge ... Henry Wilson, colored, pleaded guilty to an attempt at grand larceny, and was sent to State Prison for two years.... Frederick Scott pleaded guilty to an attempt at burglary, and was sent to State Prison for two years. A colored man named Andrew Jackson Freeman, indicted for firing a loaded pistol at Martha Street, of No. 258 West Fifteenth street, the ball from which struck her in the lip, pleaded guilty to an attempt, and stated that he committed the offense in a fit of jealousy. He was sent to State Prison for five years.

THREATENING LETTER TO THE MAYOR.

About noon yesterday, Mayor Havemeyer received an anonymous letter. The writer is evidently a firm believer in laconics, for he wound up all the council he had to give in two brief lines, which ran thus:

Beware of the 10th of January.

A FRIEND.

After glancing at the epistle, the Mayor smiled and tapped his bell. In response, his messenger approached and having received some verbal instructions, left the office. Ten minutes later, Capt. Leary of the Twenty-sixth Precinct appeared, and was closeted with the Mayor for nearly one hour. On retiring, the Captain was very reticent, but a TIMES reporter learned in the evening that he "was out all day on special business."

CITY AND COUNTY TREASURY.

Controller Green reports the following disbursements and receipts of the Treasury yesterday: Claims paid, number of warrants 73, amounting to $65,257 91; pay-rolls, number of warrants 51, amounting to $37,758 58; total number of warrants 124, amounting to $103,016 49. Receipts from taxes of 1873, and interest, $96,753 71; arrears of taxes, assessments, and interest, $9,492 14; collection of assessments and interest, $2,758 68; market rents and fees, $432 70; water rents, $2,706 64; vault permits, (one week,) $297 08; licenses, Mayor's Office, $42 50; fees and fines, District Court, $30; total, $42,513 45.

THE FLEETWOOD STABLES DESTROYED.

Capt. Robbins, of the Thirty-third Precinct, reported to Superintendent Matsell, yesterday, that on Thursday night the stables at the Fleetwood Trotting Course, in what is known as upper Morrisania, were set on fire by some unknown incendiaries. The Fire Department were called out, but, owing to the scarcity of water, the stables were totally destroyed before the flames could be extinguished. The loss is estimated at $5,000. Reserves of Police were detailed from the Twelfth and Thirty-fourth Precincts to aid Capt. Robbins in case of disturbance.

BABES AS PLEADERS.

True to their promise, the market women who were ejected from their stands on the sidewalks in Vesey and Fulton streets, brought their grown children and babes with them to the Mayor's office, yesterday, to plead for redress. They were informed, however, that the Mayor has no power in the matter, and that they should apply to the Superintendent of Incumbrances for relief. One woman replied that they had called upon the Superintendent, and were directed by him to see the Mayor. After half an hour's pleading, the market women retired, threatening to call again.

REPORT OF THE SHIPPING COMMISSIONER.

The annual report of the Shipping Commissioner for the Port of New-York has been published. After referring to the difficulties which were thrown in the way of the proper administration of the department by the combined opposition of the keepers of sailors' boarding-houses, and the amendment of the act under which the commission had been established, the report cites the result of the test case submitted to the United States Court. The amendment referred to was claimed by interested parties as exempting vessels engaged in trade between the United States and the British North American possessions, or the West Indies, or the Republic of Mexico, from the provisions of the Shipping law. The action of the Shipping Commissioner in the premises was fully indorsed by the judgment of the court, and the supervision of seamen in the trades mentioned was returned to the Commissioner. The number of seamen shipped at the office of the Commissioner during the year just closed, was 16,756, of which 1,798 have been reshipments, and for these latter no fees were charged to ship or seamen; 7,500 seamen were shipped without advance. In the same period, 15,832 seamen were paid off; $1,182,103 37 have been paid into seamen's own hands *while they were sober*, for wages due and accruing, and no complaint touching the law, or its working, has ever reached the Commissioner from any such seaman. A large number of disputes between Captains and their men have been satisfactorily settled by the Commissioner and his deputies, free of charge. In this way many vexatious and expensive lawsuits have been avoided. Wages of deceased seamen amounting to $3,945 10 have been collected and paid into court. The present staff of the office consists of one Commissioner, six deputies, ten special deputies, four clerks, and seven out-door officers. The entire amount of fees received is $37,831 65, of expenses $39,356 11. Of the fees so received the entire amount from the coasting trade of this port has been $436. Shipping and paying off, in this trade, has generally been managed by the Captains or owners in the various lines, who have been appointed special deputies for the purpose, and no fees have been exacted in its discharge. There has been no case of "shanghaeing," of mutiny, riot or bloodshed on shipboard, nor one complaint among the men shipped and paid off under the law in the port of New-York during the year 1873.

THE CASE OF BENONI HOWARD.

In the United States Circuit Court, Criminal Branch, Judge Benedict presiding, the effort to obtain a jury in the case of Benoni Howard was yesterday resumed. Mr. Blankman, counsel for the defense, on the opening of the proceedings, called his Honor's attention to a report which appeared in a morning paper and said he thought some official notice should be taken thereof as the statement of facts contained in the article were incorrect, impertinent, and unwarranted, besides grossly exaggerated. He thought the writer of the article should be punished. Of the new panel summoned the night previous, several jurors failed to answer their names and an order was entered directing them to show cause why they should not be fined for contempt of court. Out of those answering to the call three jurors were obtained and sworn, and a "talesman" was ordered of ten so that the complement of jurors might, if possible, be obtained. The writ was issued at 11:30 A. M. and made returnable at 1 o'clock, to which hour a recess was taken. On reassembling and challenges being put to the talesmen, one juror was obtained, the remainder being all dismissed owing to the singular fact that each one disclosed his residence in Brooklyn." The court, therefore, adjourned until Monday morning, ordering a fresh panel of ten jurors to be summoned.

TRIAL FOR ARSON.

The trial of Thos. Murtha, charged with setting fire to his liquor store at No. 84 Sullivan street, on the 7th of June, while the pie bakery immediately adjoining was burning, was resumed, yesterday, in the Court of General Sessions, and occupied the entire day. The witnesses were examined at great length, and the proceedings were very tedious. Capt. McCullagh and Sergt. Rorke, William Thompson, Eli Bates, of the Fire Department, Dennis McCarthy, and Wm. A. Kipp, of the Insurance Patrol, and a number of other witnesses were examined for the prosecution. Their evidence tended to show that the fire in Murtha's extension was not communicated from the exterior. Several of the witnesses testified that a number of houses beside the pie-bakery had been set on fire. The proprietor of the bakery stated that the other houses, which had been set on fire, were about thirty feet from the burning stable; Murtha's extension was only about six feet from the boundary wall. The case for the prosecution having closed, a number of witnesses were examined for the defense, and the further hearing of the case was postponed until to-day.

CITY CHURCH EXTENSION AND MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

A monthly meeting of the Board of Managers of the City Church Extension and Missionary Society was held last night at No. 805 Broadway, Mr. J. B. Cornell presiding, J. H. Pelton, Secretary. The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Mr. Sellick, whereupon reports were submitted by the different committees, the financial report for the month past showing total recipts to the amount of $18,902 24, and a total expenditure of $18,713 87; balance on hand, $851 05. The Superintendent's report relative to the progress and prosperity of the work of the society, during the month past, since Dec. 12, an average of scholars in the Sabbath-schools under the supervision of the society at 1862, and conversions effected by the missionaries, 87. The Pastors of the churches situated in the districts annexed to the City, in Westchester County, since January, 1874, were declared by vote members of the board. A committee of three was appointed for the purpose of revising the constitution and by-laws of the society. The meeting then adjourned, after benediction by Rev. N. H. Boole.

THE NEW-YORK BIBLE SOCIETY.

The regular meeting of the Board of Managers of the New-York Bible Society was held at the Bible House Thursday evening, Jan. 8, Vice President Theodore Gilman in the chair. The various standing committees reported that during the month of December 2,605 families residing in the Fourth, Twelfth, and Twenty-fourth Wards were visited and 520 Bibles distributed, 194 vessels lying in the harbor were supplied with 3,583 Bibles or Testaments in different languages, and many were distributed among the emigrants landed at Castle Garden. Mr. Pattan read from his journal several interesting items of aid and encouragement afforded intemperate men during the last month in their efforts toward reform. Rev. Mr. Smyth, who has been with the society over twenty years, intimated that his failing strength requires that he shall retire from the work of the society.

ATTEMPT TO INDICT THE COMMUNISTS.

The inflammatory addresses made before gatherings of laborers in Union square and the City Hall Park by Banks and others have been brought, it is said, to the notice of District Attorney Phelps with a view to have them indicted for attempting to cause a riot. Superintendent Matsell, it is alleged, has had an interview with the District Attorney on the subject, but the result has not transpired. Any Magistrate has a discretionary power to issue warrants for the arrest of parties attempting to cause a breach of the peace, so that, in case Mr. Banks and his colleagues should escape the attentions of the Grand Jury, they may possibly be dealt with by the local Magistrates for their recent riotous harangues.

POLICE MATTERS.

At a meeting of the Board of Police, yesterday, Commissioner Gardner offered a resolution directing Captains of Police to make special report to the board of all arrests for gambling and policy dealing that are dismissed by the Police Magistrates and the assumed grounds for such dismissal. The resolution was adopted. It was ordered that hereafter all prisoners arrested in the Eighteenth Precinct be sent to the Fifty-seventh street Police Court for disposition. This action was rendered necessary by the overcrowding of the Essex Market Police Court, where the prisoners from the Eighteenth Precinct have been heretofore taken.

A LIBEL SUIT.

It is stated that John F. Chamberlain made an affidavit yesterday in the Essex Market Police Court, before Justice Otterbourg, demanding the arrest of George Wilkes, of the *Spirit of the Times*, for the publication of an article, in the issue of the 2d of January, in which he is charged with stealing three rings and a pocket-book containing $380 from the state-room of the steamer Gertrude, while on a passage between New-Orleans and Memphis, in 1866. Justice Otterbourg granted a summons to appear against Mr. Wilkes, and also a warrant in case the summons of the court should be disregarded. The case will be heard to-day.

A LADY FOUND DROWNED.

BORDENTOWN, N. J., Jan. 9.—There has been considerable excitement here, caused by the discovery of the body of a young lady on the shore of the Delaware River. The deceased was about eighteen years of age, and gives evidence of having been beautiful when living. Some persons from Easton, Penn., recognized the deceased as the daughter of wealthy parents, who had offered a reward of $500 for her recovery, dead or alive. The body had no clothing except chemise, shoes, and stockings.

THE VETERANS OF THE MEXICAN WAR.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Jan. 9.—The veterans of the Mexican war, presided over by Gideon J. Pillow, met yesterday and appointed delegates to the convention which meets in Washington on the 15th inst. Resolutions were adopted to memorialize Congress to erect a monument at Washington to fallen comrades, and to grant pensions to the survivors.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

SALES AT THE STOCK EXCHANGE—JAN. 9.

SALES BEFORE THE CALL.—10 A. M.

300	Western Union	c. 76¾	300	St. Paul	47⅞
900	do	c. 77	200	do	47¾
600	do	c. 77⅛	200	do	48
300	do	b3. 77¼	100	do	48⅛
500	do	77⅜	300	do	b5. 48¼
100	do	77¼	100	do	c. 48⅜
100	do	c. 77¼	400	do	48⅝
100	do	77⅜	100	do	48⅝
500	do	77	100	do	b3. 48¼
300	do	76⅞	400	do	48⅛
800	do	76¾	900	do	48
500	N. Y. C. & Hud.	100½	100	do	47⅞
100	do	100⅝	600	do	48
100	do	c. 100⅜	100	Han. & St. Jo.	30½
100	At. & Pac. Pf.	b3. 15	20	do	30
100	do	c. 15	200	Panama	116
2100	Lake Shore	82	100	do	117
400	do	82⅛	100	do	c. 118
1200	do	82¼	100	do	118
100	do	82⅜	100	do	117
2600	do	82⅝	400	Toledo & Wab.	53⅜
1100	do	s3. 82⅝	400	do	53½
700	do	82⅞	200	do	53⅝
100	do	b3. 82½	100	do	b3. 53⅜
300	do	82⅝	100	do	s3. 53⅜
600	do	82¼	100	do	c. 53⅜
1100	do	c. 82⅜	200	do	53⅜
100	Alton & T. Haute	17	800	do	s3. 53⅜
800	North-western	61⅜	100	do	b3. 53⅝
1000	do	61	100	do	c. 53½
200	do	60¾	100	Ohio & Miss.	33⅝
300	do	b3. 61	100	do	33½
600	Pacific Mail	43⅜	800	do	33⅝
100	do	c. 43⅞	1300	do	33¾
1500	do	44	100	do	s3. 33⅝
600	do	c. 44	1700	do	33¾
1400	do	44⅛	700	do	b3. 33⅞
1000	do	44	1800	do	34
900	do	43⅞	300	do	33⅞
400	do	43⅝	100	do	b3. 34
600	do	43⅝	600	do	b3. 34⅛
200	do	s3. 43½	500	do	34
1000	do	43⅜	1000	do	34⅞
800	do	43⅜	800	do	33⅜
700	do	s3. 43¼	100	do	33⅝
200	do	43¼	800	do	b3. 33⅜
600	do	43⅜	100	do	33⅝
900	do	s3. 43½	100	do	s3. 33⅝
100	do	43¼	200	Rock Island	104⅛
1800	Union Pacific	31¾	100	do	104⅜
1000	do	31⅞	100	do	104⅝
200	do	b3. 32	300	C., C. & I. C.	s3. 29⅞
200	do	c. 31⅞	800	do	30
600	do	s3. 31⅞	200	do	30¼
200	do	b3. 32	100	do	30½
200	do	31⅞	400	do	30⅝
800	do	c. 31¾	200	do	s3. 30¼
1200	do	b3. 31⅞	400	do	30⅜
100	American Exp.	60	300	St. Paul	48⅛
550	N. Y. C. & Hud.	100¾	300	do	48⅜
700	do	c. 100⅞	200	do	b3. 48⅜
1200	do	c. 100⅞	800	do	b3. 48½
900	Pacific Mail	43⅝	200	do	48⅝
200	do	b3. 43⅝	400	do	48⅝
400	do	43⅝	400	do	48⅞
100	do	c. 43⅝	900	do	48⅜
300	do	43½	400	do	s3. 48¾
200	do	43¼	200	Rock Island	104⅜
1700	do	43¼	200	do	104½
1100	do	43⅜	200	Tol. & Wab.	b3. 53¾
200	do	b3. 43⅜	400	do	c. 53¾
500	do	43⅛	10	do	54
300	do	43⅜	200	do	53¾
300	do	43⅜	300	do	53⅞
300	do	b3. 43⅜	25	do	53⅝
500	do	43⅜	10	Alton & T. H.	17¼
400	do	43¼	200	do	16
400	do	c. 43⅜	50	do	17
900	do	s3. 43⅜	100	do	16½
200	Lake Shore	b3. 82¾	200	Ohio & Miss.	34
800	do	82¼	100	do	b3. 34⅛
900	do	82⅜	400	do	34⅛
500	do	82⅛	100	do	b3. 34¼
900	do	82⅜	1100	do	34¼
100	do	s3. 82⅜	600	do	b3. 34⅜
1000	do	82⅜	100	do	34⅜

GOVERNMENT STOCKS—10:15 AND 11:30 A. M.

$6,000	U.S. 6s, '81, C.	117⅜	$15,000 U.S.5-20C,'67, b. c. 116⅝
16,000	do b. c.	117⅝	5,000 do 116½
5,000	U.S. 6s R.,'81.	116⅜	500 do small. 115½
4,000	U.S.5-20C,

COMMERCIAL AFFAIRS.

NEW-YORK, Friday, Jan. 9, 1874.

The receipts of the principal kinds of Produce since our last have been as follows:

Ashes, pkls	52	Leather, sides	4,487
Bees-wax, pkls	4	Stearine, pkls	144
Cotton, bales	6,111	Tallow, pkls	26
Eggs, bbls	573	Beef, pkls	20
Flour, bbls	13,291	Pork, pkls	834
Meal, bbls	3,175	Cut-meats, pkls	1,217
Meal, bags	265	Lard, tcs	1,442
Wheat, bushels	173,380	Butter, pkls	2,429
Corn, bushels	14,224	Cheese, pkls	109
Oats, bushels	31,875	Dressed Hogs, No	1,228
Peas, bushels	300	Rice, pkls	120
G. Seed, bags	462	Resin, bbls	4
Dried Fruit, pkls	68	Tea, pkls	17
Beans, bbls	366	Pea-nuts, bags	420
Hemp, bales	20	Starch, pkls	618
Hops, bales	38	Tobacco, hhds	168
Hides, No	159	Tobacco, pkls	1,129
Hides, bales	146	Wool, bales	96
Flax, bales	74	Whisky, bbls	934
Moss, bales	60		

COFFEE—A good demand has been noted for Rio, but the reduced offerings and the advanced prices claimed have been operating against free dealings; 1,213 bags, by the Aquidneck, at Baltimore, sold on private terms. Java meets with a ready sale at very full rates; 1,000 mats, from the Farnsworth, were placed on private terms. The cargo of, equal to about 12,000 mats, by the Elvington, was sold previous to arrival. Other kinds have been in request at buoyant prices; offerings light; sales, 1,095 bags Maracaibo, by the Rockett, and 694 bags do., by the Corinth, at 26¾c.@27¾c., and 549 bags Porto Rico by the Rising Queen at 27c., quote the range of prices thus: Rio, ordinary, 24¼c.@24¾c.; fair, 25½c.@25¾c.; good, 26¼c.@26¾c.; prime, 27¼c.@27½c. gold, ₱ lb., 60 days' credit; Rio, in job lots, 24¾c.@28¾c., gold; Java, 29¼c.; Maracaibo, 26¼c.@26¾c.; Porto Rico, 26¾c.@27¼c.; Laguayra, 26¾c.@27¼c.; Savanilla, 26¼c.@27¼c.; Costa Rica, 26c.@27c.; Angostura, 26c.@26¾c.; Mexican, 26c.@27c., and Jamaica, 24¾c.@26c. gold, ₱ lb.

COTTON—Has been in less request for early delivery on the basis of previous quotations, with sales reported since our last of 3,686 bales, including 1,811 bales to shippers, 1,785 bales to spinners, and 70 bales to speculators. The demand has been fairly active for forward delivery, but at a reduction of 1-16c.@¼c. ₱ lb., closing steady. Sales have been reported since our last of 27,900 bales, (of which 5,100 bales were on last evening and 22,800 bales to-day,) with 1,000 bales more at the calls, and on the basis of Low Middling, with January options closing at 15⅝c.; February, 15¾c.@15¾c.; March, 16 11-16c.; April, 17⅛c.; May, 17⅜c.@17 9-16c., and June at 17⅝c.@17 15-16c. The receipts at this port to-day were 6,111 bales, including 3,703 bales from Norfolk, 1,885 bales from Savannah, 348 bales from Wilmington, N. C., and 1,177 bales per railroad. The reported receipts at the shipping ports to-day were 11,500 bales, and for the week, 186,349 bales, against 191,675 bales last week and since Sept. 1, 2,071,614 bales, against 1,862,683 bales same time last year. Consolidated (six days)—Exports to Great Britain, 47,836 bales; exports to the Continent, 4,088 bales. Stock—In New-York, 83,043 bales; consolidated stock at the ports, 752,450 bales. The following quotations are based on Cotton in store, running in quality not more than half a grade above or below the grade named:

Closing Prices of Cotton in New-York.

	Uplands.	Ala.	N. O.	Texas.
Ordinary	13⅞	13⅞	13⅞	13⅞
Good Ordinary	14¾	14⅞	15⅛	15⅛
Strict Good Ordinary	15⅛	15½	15 11-16	15 11-16
Low Middling	15⅝	15⅞	16⅛	16⅛
Middling	15⅞	16⅛	17	17
Good Middling	17⅛	17¾	18	18

EGGS—Have been offered rather more freely at drooping rates, within the range of from 25c.@30c. for fair to choice stock, the main call having been for fresh stock available at 25c.@27c. Limed in slack request at 15c.@19c. ₱ dozen.

FISH—The demand has been on a moderate scale for the leading kinds, with Dry Cod quoted steady at $4 75 @$5 ₱ quintal; Mackerel in moderate req't; Shad at $12@16c.; No. 3 at $10 50@$11 ₱ bbl.; Pickled Herring at $3 50@$6; Smoked Herring at 22c.@26c. for Scale, and 20c.@22c. for No. 1, ₱ box.

FLOUR AND MEAL—State and Western Flour has been quite freely purchased at generally firm, and, in the instance of superfine stock, a shade higher prices. Shipping Extras, in lines, have been in reduced supply, and ruling figures have been paid for low grade trade Extras have met with a readier sale. An unusually good inquiry has been noted for Superfine brands, within our advance range. The sales reported since our last have been 11,700 bbls., and the grades, (part to arrive,) including very poor to very choice No. 2 at $4 25 @$5 50, chiefly at $5@$5 25; inferior to fancy Superfine State and Western, $5 50@$6 15, chiefly at $5 90 @$6 35 for fair to very good, and $6 50 for fancy; inferior to good Extra State at $6 75@$7 25, chiefly at $7@$7 15; very good to very fancy do. at $7 25@ $8 25; Extra Genesee shipping brands at $6 35@$7 25, chiefly at $7@$7 10 for lines, and $6 75 @$7 50 for odd lots; poor to very choice shipping brands round-hoop Ohio at $6 75@$7 25 ₱ bbl. We quote:

No. 2 Flour	3 50@ 4 50
Sour Flour	3 50@ 6 25
Superfine State and Western	5 85@ 6 50
Extra State	6 75@ 8 25
Extra Clif	6 75@ 8 25
Extra Genesee	8 35@ 9 65
Extra Ohio, round-hoop shipping brands	6 75@ 7 25
Extra Western, shipping brands	6 75@ 7 25
Extra Ohio, trade and family brands	7 30@ 9 65
Extra Western, trade and family brands	7 30@ 9 65
Extra St. Louis, ordinary to fancy	7 00@11 00
Extra Minnesota, poor to superlative	7 10@11 00

Southern Flour has been quiet, but steady; sales have been reported since our last of 370 bbls., in lots, at from $6 90@$8 for ordinary to choice shipping, and $8@ $11 for ordinary to fancy trade and family Extras; $6 75@$7 for inferior stock ₱ bbl.—Canada Flour has been in demand and quoted at from $6@$11 ₱ bbl. for Extras, the latter for very superior Spring stock, patent.—Rye Flour has been in fair request at $4 50@$5 90 for poor to Fine to very choice Superfine; sales, 300 bbls., chiefly at $5 45 @$5 90 for the better grades of Superfine, ₱ bbl.

—Corn-meal has been in light supply and good demand, and quoted at from $3 10@$4 50 for ordinary to choice Yellow Western; $4 25@$4 50 for Jersey, and $4 60@$4 75 for Brandywine, the latter now quoted at $4 75 ₱ bbl. The reported sales since our last have been 1,000 bbls., mainly at Brandywine and Western, at the current quotations.—Bag-meal has been moderately sought after at $1 55 for coarse; $1 59@$1 65 for Yellow, and $1 75 for White, ₱ 100 lbs.—Buckwheat Flour has been in light request, within the range of from $3@$3 50 for State and Pennsylvania, ₱ 100 lbs.—Graham Flour selling in lots at $6 50@$7 for Western and State, ₱ bbl.—Oat-meal in some demand at $6 75@$8 for Western, City, and Canada. Sales, 75 bbls. Western at $6 75 ₱ bbl.

FRUIT—The market shows less activity, but prices rule quite firm in the leading instances. Sales include 1,500 lbs. Layer Raisins at $2 70, and 1,200 lbs. Currants on private terms, quoted at 6¾c.@7¾c.

GRAIN—A moderately active demand has been reported for Spring Wheat, mainly for export account, at an advance of about 2c. ₱ bushel, though closing tamely and rather heavily. Winter Wheat has been quiet but stiffly held. Sales have been reported since our last of 139,000 bushels at $1 56@$1 57 for No. 1 Milwaukee Spring, from cars and afloat, chiefly at $1 70 for prime, afloat; $1 68@$1 70 for No. 1 Minnesota do., in lots; $1 67@$1 69 for No. 1 Chicago do.; $1 67@$1 68, mainly at $1 68, for No. 2 Milwaukee do.; $1 65@$1 67 for No. 2 North-west do.; $1 62@$1 65 for No. 2 Chicago do., from cars and afloat; $1 63 for prime No. 2 do., in store; $1 62@$1 63 for No. 3 Spring; $1 60@$1 62 for ungraded Spring; and $1 70@ $1 70 for White Spring, and $1 75, in part, for White Western.....Corn has been actively sought after, in good part on speculative account, and has been again quoted higher, closing very firmly; sales have been reported since our last of 138,000 bushels at 89¾c.@90c., closing strong at 90c. for old sail Mixed Western, afloat; 88c.@89c. for do., in store, closing at 89c. for strictly choice; 88c.@89c. for new Yellow Western; 82c.@86c. for ordinary to choice new Mixed do.; 88c. for old and new Mixed Western.....Rye firm but dull; quoted at $1 04@$1 06; a small lot of State sold at $1 05 ₱ bushel.....Barley in moderate demand, but held above the views of buyers, and rather quiet. Canada West quoted at from $1 78@ $1 80, and two cargoes reported at $1 80 on private terms.....Barley-malt dull at old figures.....Oats have been quoted a shade higher, closing strong, with a fair demand noted; sales, 47,000 bushels at 65c. for Prime Mixed Western, afloat, closing at this rate but weak; 65c.@65½c. for White do.....Feed in more request, in a jobbing way, and quoted at $20@$28 as the extremes, ₱ ton.

GUNNY BAGS AND BAGGING—Of Domestic Cloth, 1,300 rolls sold at 12c. Market steady, but otherwise dull.

HAY AND STRAW—Have been in rather better request, since our last, with prime North River Eale Hay quoted at $1 for shipping, and $1 10@$1 45 for City use. Rye Straw at 55c.@75c.; Wheat do. at 60c.; Oat do. at 75c. ₱ 100 lbs.

HEMP—Manila has been in some demand and quoted steady at 9¾c., gold; 400 bales sold on private terms; Sisal sold to the extent of 200 bales at 7¾c., gold, 90 days' credit. Jute in good request and firmer; sales here, 1,000 bales at 5¾c.@6c., gold; at Boston, 500 bales at 6c., currency. Of Jute Butts, 1,500 bales were placed on private terms; quoted at 2¼c., currency.

HIDES—Firm and in moderate demand; sales, 1,900 Dry Kip Plates and 21 Dry Mexican on private terms.

HOPS—Have been more confidently held, though the dealings in most kinds have been rather limited, checked, to some extent, by the stormy weather of the past few days. We quote: American New, good to choice, 30c.@40c.; American New, low to fair, 10c.@25c.; Yearlings, 20c.@25c.; Olds, 5c.@15c.; Bavarians, (Gennan,) 35c.@40c.; Bavarians, (Patent,) 30c.@35c.; English, 32c.@37c.; Belgians, 30c.@31c.; Californians, 40c.@45c. ₱ lb. The week's receipts of domestic have been 421 bales, making the arrivals since Sept. 1, 1873, according to Mr. Emmett Wells, 12,932 bales, against 16,844 bales same time last year, and the week's imports of foreign 134 bales, making the total since Sept. 1st 10,202 bales, against 12,200 bales same time last year. Mr. Wells remarks that "some of the recent arrivals from the interior are of extremely low grade, sales of which have been reported as low as 10c. ₱ lb. The quality of new Hops that will bring only 10c. can be better imagined than described. We were shown samples of this kind of goods the other day; they had the appearance of spent Hops from the seaves, quite as black, but not near as good flavor. The grower who spent his time and money picking such trash must have had an idea a good article would fetch $1 a pound, and that his crop would be wanted at a price that would remunerate him for his trouble. There is a considerable quantity of such Hops in the hands of growers. The fact may not be known that this class of goods destroys the reputation of all kinds in a good article. We would advise the holders of such Hops to get rid of them as soon as possible. Not since the season of 1867 have we seen so much poor trash on the market. All the good Hops will be wanted at fair prices, perhaps at an advance on present rates."

METALS—Copper has been in light demand and less firm. Lake, 24¼c.@24¾c., cash, and 25¼c.@26c. for way and delivery. The main call has been for forward delivery.....Iron has been quiet, but about steady. The inquiry from all sources is, at the moment, limited. We quote: Eglinton Pig at $19@$21; Glengarnock, $25 50 @$26; Coltness, $25; Gartsherrie, $27@$28; No. 1 American Pig at $23@$26; No. 2 do. at $22@$23; Forge, $22@$29; English Rails at $55@$60, gold; American Rails, at works, $62 50@$63 ₱ ton; Rails, $40; Wrought Scrap, $38 50. ...Pig-lead has been selling slowly, with foreign quoted at 6¼c.@6¾c., gold, for ordinary, and domestic at 6c., gold; Bar, Pipe, Sheet and Pipe, 9½c. Spelter has been in sleek demand at 7¾c.@7¾c., gold, for foreign, and 8c.@11c. for domestic.....Pig-tin has been quiet and somewhat easier as to values, with Straits quoted at 28¼c., gold; English at 26¼c., and Banca at 32c.@32½c., gold.....Tin Plates have been inactive at about old rates; sales, 500 bxs. Charcoal at $10 50; 500 bxs. Charcoal Terne at $9 75, and 500 bxs. Coke at $8 37½, gold, cash; Charcoal Plates quoted at $10 25 @$10 50; Charcoal Terne, $9 25@$10; Coke, $8 25@ 9; Coke Terne, $6 75@$8 50, gold, ₱ box.....Zinc unsettled.

MOLASSES—Of New-Orleans 485 bbls. were reported sold, in lots, at 65c.@75c. Market otherwise quiet, but steady.

NAVAL STORES—Resin quiet, on the basis of $2 45 @$2 50 for Strained to good Strained; 300 bbls. No. 2 sold at $2 65 ₱ 280 lbs.....Tar dull at old figures.....Of City Pitch 100 bbls. sold at $3 ₱ bbl.....Spirits Turpentine sold to the extent of 324 bbls. merchantable, in lots, at 42c.@44c., closing rather weak at 43c.@43½c. ₱ gallon.

OILS—Whale and Sperm inactive, but quoted unchanged as to price. Linseed in fair jobbing demand, and on the basis of 90c. in casks. Lard-oil wanted, within the range of 72½c.@82½c. for No. 1 to strictly choice. Other kinds quoted firmer, but without notable activity.

PETROLEUM—Crude, in bulk, has been held with more confidence on the basis of 8¾c. for early delivery, with sales reported of 2,000 bbls. and 57¾c. for February, and 6c. for March. Refined in quite active demand and quoted at 18¼c.@18¾c., with sales reported here of 2,000 bbls., high test, on private terms; 5,000 bbls. Standard White, early deliveries, on the basis of 18¾c.; 2,000 bbls. do., last half of February, at 14c.; 5,000 bbls. April, (rumored,) at 14¾c.; 5,000 bbls. May, (rumored,) at 15c. And at Philadelphia, 5,000 bbls. January delivery, at 13¾c.....Refined, in cases, quiet at 18¾c.@19c.....Naphtha in demand but quoted down to 7¾c.@8c.; sales, 3,000 bbls.

PROVISIONS—Pork has been less confidently sought after, and quoted lower, with sales reported for early delivery of 230 bbls. inspected New Western Mess, in lots, at $16 75@$17, closing at $16 75; 670 bbls. uninspected do. at $16 25; small lots of medium Mess at $16, and of Western Prime Mess within the range of $15 30@$15 50; and 100 bbls. inspected Extra Prime at $13 87½. And for forward delivery, 500 bbls. New Western Mess, March options, at $16 37½; and 250 do. April at $16 62½.....Dressed Hogs in reduced supply and wanted at advanced prices; City quoted at 7¾c.@8¼c.; Western at 6¾c.@7¾c. The recent storm impeded the forwarding and supplies.....Cut-meats rather sought after at about previous quotations, with sales reported of 500 Pickled Shoulders, on private ter.; 500 Smoked do. at 8c.; 500 Smoked Hams at 11¾c.; 100 tcs. Pickled Hams, 10 lbs. (Chicago delivery,) at 10¼c.; 100 bxs. Long-cut Hams, 16 lbs., at 10⅞c.; Dry-salted Shoulders, boxed, quoted at 6¾c. for prompt, and 6¼c. for January delivery. Bacon declined slightly on a slower movement; 75 bxs. Western Long Clear sold at 8¾c., quoted at the close at 8 3-16c.@8¼c.; 20 bxs. City do. at 8½c.; and 250 bxs. Long and Short Clear, January option, at 8¼c., with February options quoted at 8¾c.....Lard has been quiet, and weak in price, with less of a speculative call for supplies. Sales have been reported for early delivery of 500 tcs. Western Steam, in lots, at 8c.@8¼c. for very inferior to prime, and 110 tcs. City do., at 8⅞c.; and, for forward delivery, 500 tcs. Western Steam, January option, at 8 3-16c.@8¼c., February, part at 8 7-16c., and 1,000 tcs. do., March, at 9 9-16c.....Beef firm, and in good request; sales, 175 bbls., within the previous range, and 150 tcs. Extra India Mess, at $28 50@ $29 50 ₱ tierce.....Beef Hams salable, in lots, at from $24@$26 ₱ bbl.....Butter has been in moderate supply and demand at essentially unchanged quotations, the range having been from 27c.@40c. for fair to strictly choice in State, and near-by products at 40c.@ 45c. for choice to fancy lots, (including pails,) and 22c. @34c. for the range of Western, including Rolls, at 26c. @32c.....Cheese has been attracting more attention from home buyers, though not in much request for export. Prices have been well maintained. State Factory, poor to fancy, quoted at from 9c.@15c., chiefly at 13c.@14¾c. for good to fine; 14¾c.@15c. for fine to choice, and 12c.@14¼c. for fair to good shipping qualities; State Dairy, 9c.@14c.; Western product at 9c.@ 13½c. for fair to choice Factory; 3c.@9c. for Skimmed stock, ₱ lb.; Job lots of stock ¼c.@¾c. ₱ lb. higher.

RICE—Has been moderately sought after, with Liverpool Ground quoted at $1 10@$1 25; Liverpool Fine, $2 10@$3, from store; Turk's Island, &c., from store, 3c.

SALTPETRE—Has been quiet, but steady, at 6½c.@ 6¾c. for crude.

SEED—Clover has been in demand at 9¼c. for prime, and 9¾c. for choice, but has been held 9c.@9½c. ₱ lb higher, checking business; offerings limited, and other kinds have been quiet, but firmer.

SOAP—Has been in rather more request in a jobbing way since our last, with Castile at 9c.@9½c.; Colgate's Pale at 7½c.; Family, 5c., and W. F. Taylor's do. at 6½c., less usual discount.

SPICES—Have been in fair demand, with Mace quoted firm at $1 28@$1 30; No. 1 Nutmegs at $1@$1 05; Cassia at 24¼c.@25c.; Cloves at 34c.@34½c.; East India Pepper at 22c.@22½c.; White Pepper at 31½c.@ 32c.; Pimento at 11¼c.; Ginger at 11¾c.@13c. ₱ lb., gold.

SUGARS—A brisk trade has been reported in Raw since our last, with a further slight improvement in price. The demand for refining stock has been quite urgent, stimulated by the activity and buoyancy in the market for the refined product. Sales have been reported since our last of 3,852 hhds., 9,570 bxs., and 5,000 bags, including 1,784 hhds. good common to strict good Refining Cuba, (part late yesterday,) at 7¾c. @8¾c.; 289 hhds. Centrifugal at 8¾c.@8¾c.; 940 hhds. do., Nos. 7@9, at 8¾c.; 1,500 bxs. do. at 8¾c.@ 8¾c.; 244 bxs. do. at 8¾c.; 350 hhds. Martinique on private terms; 126 bxs. Clayed (late yesterday) at 7¾c.; 509 hhds. Molasses sugar at 7¾c.@8c., mainly at 7¾c., and, rumored, 5,000 bags Pernambuco at 8c. ₱ lb.

TALLOW, &c.—Tallow has been in fair demand at firm prices, with sales reported of 135,000 lbs. common to strictly prime at 7¾c.@7¾c. ₱ lb.....Of Stearine, 300 tcs. prime Western were placed at 9c. ₱ lb.; market kept strong.

TEAS—Have been moderately sought after at unchanged rates; sales, 1,100 half-chests Green and 300 half-chests Souchong on private terms.

TOBACCO—Has been in better request and quoted steady, with sales reported of 600 hhds. Kentucky at 6½c.@11½c.; 400 cases 1872, Connecticut and Massachusetts, including Fillers, at 5c.@6c.; Seconds, 9c.@ 11c.; Wrappers, 18c.@25c.@35c.; 600 cases 1872, Ohio, 5½c.@9c.; 200 cases Wisconsin, 6c.@6½c.; 200 cases 1870 and 1871, Sundries, at 6¾c.@40c., and 500 bales Havana at 70c.@95c. ₱ lb.

WHISKY—Sold to the extent of 300 bbls., in lots, at $1 ₱ gallon; market unchanged.

WOOL—A fairly active business has been reported, since our last, on a firm basis as to prices, though the demand has not been quite equal to the anticipation of holders, who, however, have been very confident in their views. The stormy weather through the past few days tended to check operations. Sales have been reported during the week of 219,000 lbs. Domestic Fleece and Pulled at from 34c.@36c.; 60,000 lbs. unwashed stock, part at 33c.; 43,000 lbs. scoured on private terms; 35,000 lbs. tub-washed at 52½c.@57½c.; 6,000 lbs. Georgia at 40c.; equal to about 137,000 lbs. Domestic pulled at from 44c.@50c.; 31 sales Californin Lambs, on private terms; 103,000 lbs. California Fall at from 23c.@30c.; 80 bales and 24,000 lbs. do. Spring, part at 27½c.@30½c.; 70 bales and 26,000 lbs. Oregon, mostly at 40c.@42½c.; 40,000 lbs. Texas at 19c.@ 32½c.; 10,000 lbs. Mexican at 20c.@21c.; 25,000 lbs. Australian at 50c.; 460 bales and 10,000 lbs. Cape, within the range of 34c.@37½c.; and 1,000 lbs. Domestic Noils at 60c. ₱ lb.

Stocks of Wool in Principal Markets Jan. 1.

	1873. Domestic.	Foreign.	1874. Domestic.	Foreign.
New-York	7,175,000	18,134	4,559,000	14,399
Boston	3,603,000	20,663	7,947,000	16,063
Philadelphia	5,043,000	5,800	2,785,700	607

Stock of Sheep-skins Jan. 1, 1874.

	New-York.	Boston.
Bales.	Bales.	
Buenos Ayres	246	214
Cape		628
Total	246	842

GRAIN—Grain room has been in more demand, chiefly in the way of fourth accommodation, at comparatively firm rates. Vessels suited to the Grain trade have been in rather less urgent request, and somewhat irregular as to quotations. Tonnage suited to the Petroleum trade has been attracting little attendance, at about previous figures. Otherwise, the market has been quiet.....For Liverpool, the reported engagements since our last have been, by sail, 1,000 bbls. Flour at 3s. 9d. ₱ bbl. and, by steam, 400 bbls. Flour at 4s. as it runs; 1,000 bbls. Flour at 4s. 6d. ₱ bbl.; 8,000 bushels Wheat at 12½d. ₱ bushel. Also, two ships, 1,511 and 1,461 tons, with Wheat, reported from San Francisco on private terms.....For London, by sail, 16,000 bushels Wheat at 11d. ₱ bushel.....For Glasgow, by sail, 1,000 bbls. Flour at 3s. 9d. ₱ bbl.; 8,000 bushels Wheat at 11¾d. ₱ bushel; and 60 bdls. Bark at 45s. ₱ ton.....For ungrained Spring, per Bark; at 11½d. ₱ bushel; 100 tons Tallow at 50c. ₱ ton. Also a British ship, 1,120 tons, and a Portuguese ship, 1,004 tons, hence, with general cargo, on private terms, and placed on the berth in Mears. E. E. Morgan's Sons' Line.....For Cork and orders, a Norwegian bark, 573 tons, hence, with about 3,500 quarters Grain, (one-third in bags,) at 7s. 10½d., and two Italian barks, (to arrive,) hence, with 3,500 and 4,000 quarters do., respectively, at 7s. 3d.; and an Italian bark, with 2,500 quarters do., from Philadelphia at 6s. 9d., and one at 6s. 10½d. direct at 8s. 3d.—Also, four ships, 1,397, 1,388, 1,253, and 1,161 tons, and two barks, 525 and 393 tons, with Wheat, reported from San Francisco, on private terms, quoted at 77s. 6d.@80s.....For the United Kingdom, direct, a Norwegian bark, 556 tons, hence, with about 3,000 bbls. Refined Petroleum, reported at 6s. 10½d.; a German bark, 360 tons, hence, with about 2,300 bbls. do., reported at 7s. 3d. bbl.....For Hamburg, a British bark, 757 tons, with about 5,000 bbls. Refined Petroleum, from Philadelphia, (a rechanter,) at 6s. 6d. ₱ bbl.....For Maracaibo and back, an American schooner, 170 tons, at $2,200.....For Cienfuegos.....For New-York and the Sound, an American schooner, 148 tons, with Lumber, from Pensacola, at $12.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

NEW-YORK, Friday, Jan. 9, 1874.

There was a slow trade in Beeves on yesterday forenoon, and most of the Cattle sold had remained over from the previous Monday and Wednesday Markets; prices ranged from 9¾c.@12c. ₱ lb.; weights from 6 cwt. to 8 cwt. On this forenoon, on a heavy run of fresh Cattle, forwarded direct through from Chicago, as it was impossible to unload them at Harrisburg, the yards there being inundated, trade was slow, and a large proportion of the herds remained unsold at noon; prices ranged from 9c.@12c. ₱ lb.; mixed lots from 6½ cwt. to 9 cwt., on 55 lbs. to 58 lbs. to the cwt., net. Two lots of very small, lean Texan Steers were sold, in small lots, from 2¾c.@3c. ₱ lb.; live weight, also at 6 ₱ head. Cows continue slow, quality of those to hand being inferior to the demand. Smooth-quality Veals firm and scarce from 10c.@10½c. ₱ lb. Grass Calves in moderate demand from $7@$9 50 ₱ head. Sheep fair from $4@$6 30 ₱ cwt. Trade in Hogs opened fair, owing to the improved state of the weather. Live Hogs were worth from 5¾c. @5¾c. ₱ lb.; City dressed from 6¾c.@7¼c. ₱ lb.; Western Dressed, from 6¼c.@7¼c. ₱ lb.

SALES.

C. Kahn sold for self and company 40 coarse Kentucky Steers, from 10¼c.@11c. ₱ lb., weight 7 cwt.; 68 common Kentucky Oxen, at 10½c. ₱ lb., weight 8½ cwt.; 35 coarse Indiana Steers, at 10½c. ₱ lb., weight 7 cwt.; held on sale, 28 good Kentucky Steers. Pitch & Bray sold for self 69 good Ohio Steers, at 12c. ₱ lb., live; 9 cwt. Martin Fuller & Co. sold for selves 96 Illinois Steers, from common to fair, from 10¼c.@11½c. ₱ lb., weight from 6¼ cwt. to 7 cwt., held on sale. 211 Texan Steers, a few of which were sold at $16 ₱ head—live weight 7 cwt. Coney & McPherson held on sale for selves and A. J. McPherson, 189 Illinois Steers. The firm of Morris Waixel & Co. sold, on small underfeeding, Yards 78 cars of horned Cattle that contained 1,104 head. These same herds were disposed of as follows: D. Waixel held on sale 51 Texan Steers. S. Moses sold of yesterday's Cattle 48 generally common Illinois Steers from 10¼c.@11c. ₱ lb., weight from 6¼ cwt. to 6¾ cwt.; also, 80 fresh but common ill nois Steers from 9¾c.@10c. ₱ lb., weight 6½ cwt. N. Lauderbach sold 60 fair Illinois Steers at 11¼c. ₱ lb., weight 7¼ cwt.; held on sale, 65 Illinois Steers. W. E. Dudley sold 51 common Illinois Steers at 10c. ₱ lb., weight 6 cwt.; held on sale, 67 Illinois Steers. Schuyler sold 66 generally fair Illinois Steers from 10½c.@ 11c. ₱ lb., weight 7 cwt.; held on sale, 97 Illinois Steers. W. Sigel sold 80 generally fair Illinois Steers from 10½c.@11c. ₱ lb., weight 7 cwt.; held on sale, 40 Illinois Steers. H. Meyer sold 49 Illinois Steers, from common to fair, from 10¾c.@12c. ₱ lb., weight from 6¾ cwt. to 7 cwt., strong. F. Samuels sold 46 fair Illinois Steers at 11c. ₱ lb., and $1 on ₱ head, weight 7 cwt.; held on sale, 79 Illinois Steers. M. Goldschmidt held on sale 120 Illinois Steers. Toffey & Sons held on sale 82 Missouri Steers, also 50 Illinois Steers.

A. S Cunningham Yards, J. N. Pidcock sold 213 Ohio Sheep, weight 5,800 lbs., at 4c. ₱ lb.; 196 Sheep, weight 14,810 lbs., at 5c. ₱ lb.; 392 Sheep, weight 32,900 lbs., at 8 5-16 ₱ cwt.; 380 Sheep, weight 31,720 lbs., at 5¾c. ₱ lb.; 333 Sheep, weight 32,040 lbs., at 6c. ₱ lb.; 163 Sheep, weight 17,270 lbs., at $6 30 ₱ cwt. Kane & Sons sold 320 Indiana Sheep, weight 28,040 lbs., at $5 30 ₱ cwt.

WHOLESALE PRICES OF DRESSED MEATS.

City-dressed Beef slow, from 8c.@10¾c. ₱ lb., with coarse cuts at 6c. ₱ lb.; Western dressed not quoted to-day. City-dressed Mutton slow, from 7c.@10c. ₱ lb.; Western dressed and country dressed not quoted to-day. City-dressed Veal fairly in demand, from 8c.@12c. ₱ lb., country-dressed Veal moderately in demand, from 9c.@10c. ₱ lb. Market Pigs sold from 8c.@ 8¼c. ₱ lb.

RECEIPTS.

Fresh arrivals for yesterday and to-day at Communipaw Yards: 1,552 head of Horned Cattle, 755 Sheep, 3,183 Hogs, with 14 cars of horned Cattle due at 2:30 P. M. from Point of Rocks; 192 Beeves came fresh to hand on yesterday at Weehawken Yards, and 112 Beeves to One Hundredth Street Yards.

BUFFALO, Jan. 9.—Cattle—Receipts to-day, 17 head only, making the total supply for the week thus far, 5,570 head, or 328 cars, against 325 cars for the same time last week; there were no sales to report; the yards are bare of stock, except a few odds and ends. Sheep and Lambs—Receipts to-day, 2,400 head, making the total supply for the week thus far, 26,000 head, against 16,000 head for the same time last week; the market was dull and slow; sales of a few loads of Michigan Sheep, ranging from $6 to $1 lbs., at $5 50@$5 75; one load of Canada Sheep and Lambs, averaging 109 lbs., at $5 50; quoted at close—Canada Sheep and Lambs, $5 @$5 50; Western Sheep, $3 50@$5; a large number of Sheep will be held over. Hogs—Receipts to-day, including 1 car reported to arrive, 3,800 head, making the total supply for the week thus far, 24,000 head, against 13,900 head for the same time last week; the market was moderately active at $5 40@$5 60 for Yorkers, and $5 65@$5 90 for heavy Hogs.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 9.—Cattle—Owing to the storm the Cattle arriving at present are poor in appearance, and they are offered at a reduction of 4c. ₱ lb. from last week's prices. Heavy Illinois Steers bring 7¾c., and some very extra are held at 8c. The range is from 5c.@7c. Milch Cows—The market rules dull, and $5 off ₱ head; sales at $35@$55. Sheep and Lambs—The receipts are large, numbering 17,000 head, double the number of last week. The market rules 2c. off on good sheep, and 3c. on common grades. Lambs scarce, and with but little inquiry. Sheep—Common to fine, 4½c.@5c.; fair to good, 5c.@6½c.; prime, 6¼c.@ 6¾c. Lambs—Common to fine, 5½c.@6½c.; fair to good, 6¼c.@7¾c.

THE STATE OF TRADE.

CHICAGO, Jan. 9.—Flour—Demand good at full prices; sales of medium to choice Extra Spring at $5 50@$6 50; Winter active and higher. No. 2 Spring sold at $1 26; No. 2 do. closed at $1 25⅝ cash; $1 27¾, February; $1 30, March; No. 3 Spring, $1 18; Rejected, $1 11. Corn active and higher at 53¾c.@59c. for No. 2 mixed cash; 59¾c.@60c. February; 65½c., May; new No. 2 Mixed at 53c.@53½c.; Rejected, old, 54c.@55c.; new, 51c.@51½c. Oats active and higher at 42c. for No. 2, cash; 43c., February; 45c., May. Rye advanced 2c. Barley in good demand and higher at $1 45 for No. 2 Fall; $1 24@$1 25 for No. 3 Spring. Provisions dull and drooping. Pork lower at $14 37½@$14 40 spot; $14 62½ February; $15 20, March. Lard in fair demand and lower, at $8 75@$8 80, spot; $9 February. Bulk Meats dull and lower; heavy receipts depress the market; sales of Shoulders at 5½c.; Short Ribs, Middles, Clear do., Short Clear Middles, 7½c.; scarcely anything doing. Green Meats—General panic in market; sales of Shoulders at 5½c. Hams 4c. lower, at 8¾c. for 16-lbs. average. Whisky advanced 1c. and in fair demand, at 90c. Receipts—14,000 bbls. Flour, 147,000 bushels Wheat, 30,000 bushels Corn, 38,000 bushels Oats, 4,000 bushels Rye, and 13,000 bushels Barley. Shipments—32,000 bbls. Flour, 126,000 bushels Wheat, 4,000 bushels Corn, 33,000 bushels Oats, 2,000 bushels Rye, and 13,000 bushels Barley.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 9.—Flour quiet and unchanged. Wheat active and higher; sales of No. 2 Spring at $1 22@$1 23½; No. 2 Red Winter at $1 30. Corn in fair demand; sales of No. 2 Mixed at 57c. at east side on track, 59c. at east side in elevators. Oats in fair demand and higher; sales No. 2 at 44c. at east side on track. Barley steady and unchanged. Rye firmer at $1 51@$1 52½. Whisky higher at 87c. Pork quiet at $14 75 for irregular. Dry-salted Meats easier, and business small; sales of loose Shoulders at 6c., spot and March, the latter at 6¼c.; Clear Rib Sides at 7¾c.@7¾c.; sales of 200 at 7¾c. Sales of Hams at 8½c. cash, packed lots; Shoulders, 6¾c.; Clear Rib Sides, 7¾c.; Clear Sides, 8¼c. Bacon firm at 7½c. for Shoulders; 8¾c. for Clear Rib Sides; 9c. for Clear Sides. Lard nominal and generally held at 8¾c. Live Hogs dull; shipping grades sold at $4 75@$4 85; packers, $5@$5 40; bulk of sales at $5 20@$5 30. Cattle unchanged; sales of through Texans at $1 50@$3; good to prime Texan and Indian at $3@$3 50; good to choice native Steers at $4 25@$5 50. Receipts—5,000 bbls. Flour, 31,000 bushels Wheat, 21,000 bushels Corn, 18,000 bushels Oats, 1,000 bushels Barley, 2,000 bushels Rye, 4,000 Hogs.

BUFFALO, Jan. 9.—Imports for the last twenty-four hours—6,000 bbls. Flour, 51,308 bushels Wheat, 27,561 bushels Corn, 57,248 bushels Oats, 400 bushels Rye. Exports—42,926 bushels Wheat, 42,495 bushels Corn, 61,880 bushels Oats, 2,400 bushels Rye. Flour—Western Ground Spring, $4 87 50; Bakers' $7 25@ $8 25; Amber, $8@$8 50; White, $9@$9 50. Wheat active and unchanged; sales of 1,600 bushels White Michigan at $1 62½, and 4,000 bushels Chicago No. 3 Spring, afloat, at $1 43. 20,000 bushels Milwaukee No. 2 Spring at $1 45; 6,500 bushels do. at $1 52. Corn higher; sales of 2,400 bushels Mixed Western at 73c.@73½c., and 7,500 bushels do. Oats firm; sales of 2,000 bushels White Michigan at 49c.@50c. Barley quiet; sales of 15,000 bushels Milwaukee No. 3 at $1 45; Canada held at $1 55@$1 62. Rye higher; held at $1 80. Barley nearly steady at $1 75@$1 80; Western, $1 60@$1 65. Other articles unchanged.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 9.—Flour quiet, but firm and unchanged. Wheat quiet, but firm; Pennsylvania, $1 25@ $1 30; Ohio and Indiana, $1 60@$1 70; Western Amber, $1 55@$1 60. Corn strong and buoyant; Southern White, 50c.@52c.; do. Yellow, 77

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NEW-YORK, SATURDAY, JAN. 10, 1874.

AMUSEMENTS THIS EVENING.

FIFTH AVENUE THEATRE.—Saratoga—Mr. James Lewis, Mr. W. Davidge, Miss Sara Jewett. Matinée at 1:30—Man and Wife.

UNION SQUARE THEATRE.—Led Astray—Miss Rose Eytinge, Mr. Stuart Robson. Matinée at 1:30.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.—A Man of Honor—Mr. Lester Wallack, Mme. Ponisi. Matinée at 1:30.

BOOTH'S THEATRE—Kit, the Arkansas Traveler—Mr. F. S. Chanfrau. Matinée at 1:30.

GRAND OPERA-HOUSE.—Humpty Dumpty Abroad—Mr. G. L. Fox, Miss F. Hayward. Matinée at 1:30.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.—Gabriel Grub—The Majilton and Raynor Families. Matinée at 2.

THEATRE COMIQUE.—Life on the Plains—Varieties—Matinée at 2.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.—The Belles of the Kitchen—The Vokes Troupe—Matinée at 1:30.

STADT THEATRE.—Lohengrin, (German Opera)—Mme. Louise Lichtmay, Mr. Plume.

WOOD'S MUSEUM.—Dramatic Performance afternoon and evening. Curiosities.

BRYANT'S MINSTRELS.—Farces, Singing, Comicalities—Messrs. Unsworth, N. Seymour. Matinée.

THE COLOSSEUM.—Cyclorama of London and Paris—Curiosities—Afternoon and evening.

ASSOCIATION HALL.—Lecture by Thomas Nast on Caricaturing.

ROBINSON HALL.—Vocal and Instrumental Music—The Pleeanimics—Afternoon and evening.

SAIN HALL.—The Pilgrim—(Allegory)—Matinée at 2.

TWENTY-SECOND REGIMENT ARMORY.—Promenade Concert by Gilmore's Band.

STEINWAY HALL.—Matinée at 2—Popular Concert under the direction of Theo. Thomas.

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Mr. Caleb Cushing's fortunes seem to be in the ascendant. A few days ago he was nominated as Minister to Spain. Now he receives the nomination as Chief Justice. As a supporter of the Dred Scott decision, as an advocate of the slave power, as a Whig who became a Democrat, as a politician whose place was never fixed from one week to another, as a gentleman who strongly objected to hear the patriotic tunes of the North during the war, as a partisan of the cause which the Northern people detested—in all these capacities Mr. Cushing has distinguished himself. It can scarcely be his achievements in these directions which have moved the President to select him as Chief Justice. When we get a Chief Justice of secessionist proclivities in the Supreme Court, it may fare badly with Gen. Sherman—perhaps even with Gen. Grant himself. The entire proceedings of Congress since the war may be called in question. It is said that Mr. Cushing will be acceptable to the Bar. We do not suppose the Democrats will oppose him. There is no reason why they should do so. But for our own parts, we are unable to explain or justify Mr. Cushing's nomination, and therefore we shall not attempt to do either. We can only regard the present game of blindman's-buff in reference to the Chief Justiceship with surprise and mortification.

The Controller's monthly report of City and County finances affords the data for a comparison between the amount of the debt at the close of 1873, compared with the amount at the close of 1872. In round numbers, the net amount of the debt has increased during the year $11,000,000. The funded debt has increased $6,000,000, the debt payable from assessments, called temporary by a pleasant euphemism, has increased $5,000,000, and there are a million and a half of revenue bonds outstanding, which had no counterpart at the same date last year. The net increase is kept within the amount stated by an increase of a million and a half in the cash and securities in the Sinking Fund. As a testimony to the growing elasticity of City revenues, the latter item is significant.

Persistent attempts on the part of Tammany apologists to misrepresent the facts about the increase of our Municipal debt, under a Reform administration of its finances, render the following comparison on that subject seasonable. Confining our attention to the funded debt, we find, according to the statement of the Citizens' Investigating Committee, that on Jan. 1, 1869, the City and County of New-York had become liable for long-dated bonds, not balanced by cash or securities in the Sinking Fund, to the amount of $28,550,557. On Sept. 14, 1871, at the close of the administration of Controller Connolly, the net amount of this funded debt was $62,696,825, showing a net increase in two years and eight months of $34,146,268. On Dec. 31, 1873, the net amount of the funded debt of City and County was $74,659,602, showing a net increase in two years and three months of $11,962,777. More than half of this increase is due to schemes perfected by the legislation of the Ring, and in regard to which their successors had no alternative but to pay. Among these are the Riverside Park, Broadway widening, and Madison avenue extension jobs, on account of which it will be seen that bonds have been issued during last year to the amount of $6,000,000. There is no phase of local business about which the public seem to be so easily misled as this of the City debt, and such simple facts as the above cannot, therefore, be too steadily borne in mind.

Somebody ought to write a treatise on hanging for the benefit of Deputy Sheriffs. The art is by no means a new one, but every set of county officials who have to deal for the first time with a convicted murderer, appear to be compelled to learn the rudiments of the business, without obtaining the slightest benefit from the general experience of the world in this respect. If *Monsieur De Paris*, or Calcraft, or some other competent authority, would only publish trustworthy facts about the relations which ought to be maintained between the thickness of the rope and the weight of the criminal, the size of the noose and the diameter of his skull, and such-like matters, it might be possible to elevate hanging into the region of exact science, and thereby to avoid a repetition of sundry disgusting blunders lately witnessed at executions. The grotesquely horrible details of the hanging of the Russian sailor Mecchla, in Hudson County, N. J., yesterday, are among the things which ought to be impossible in a civilized community. The caution of the Sheriff, who stood by with a noose which had seen service in New-York in his pocket, was certainly not misplaced, but it would have been a good deal more satisfactory if that functionary had been less desirous to experiment with a Jersey-made noose in the first instance. That a large and miscellaneous crowd should be allowed to witness so revolting a spectacle as that elsewhere described is surely a disgrace to the public opinion that permits passes for admission to the jail-yard to be granted in such profusion as they were in this case.

Serrano and his colleagues in the new Spanish Administration intimate that they stand on the platform of 1868—*i. e.*, popular sovereignty and the perpetual exclusion of the Bourbons. But they have determined to get along, meanwhile, without the advice of the representatives of the people, and have accordingly dissolved the Cortes and adjourned the date of new elections *sine die*, or, in official phrase, "till order is secure, and freedom and universal suffrage are unhindered." Obviously, the Serrano Cabinet can take their own time to recognize the existence of conditions favorable for the election of a new Cortes, and if they wait till the last Carlist band has been disarmed among the mountains of the north, they may govern for a practically indefinite term on their own responsibility. It is rather satirical to call this kind of rule republican, but it will probably suit Spain as well as any other. Her federal republican system showed a notable aptitude for developing blatant demagogues and traitors, and if the country is now in the grasp of an oligarchy of noblos, sustained by a Junta of Generals, it is mainly the fault of weak and impracticable theorists like Pi y Margall, and blind, though honest, partisans like Nicolas Salmeron.

The Ministerial crisis in France is not to pass over so easily as the friends of the Government "of combat" and of Dukes seem to suppose. The recent elections have brought out the Republican sentiment of France in stronger relief than ever, and they have evidently had the effect of convincing sundry waverers of the Left Centre that they could not safely sustain the Government in depriving France of the few shreds of municipal liberty that are left her. When a department in Brittany, far off from the influence of Paris, and hitherto esteemed a stronghold of royalist and priestly influence, rejects the MacMahonist candidate by a majority of 18,000, in a total vote of little over 100,000; and when the wealthy and educated public of the Seine-et-Oise, living in and around Versailles itself, passes a virtual vote of censure on the Government by electing M. Calmon, an Ex-Secretary of the Thiers Administration, by a majority of half as many votes as those given to his opponent, it must be clear to everybody but the most bigoted advocates of reaction that the fault is neither in the suffrage nor in the mobs of cities, but in the Government itself. To vest the appointment of the Mayors of 37,000 communes in the Minister of the Interior, or in his nominees the Prefects, would be esteemed a fatal blow at popular liberty in the most centralized of monarchies. In a State pretending to be republican it is simply treason against the Commonwealth, and it is to be hoped that a majority will be found in the French Assembly with manliness enough to adhere to that view of the question.

Dr. Vanderpoel's report in regard to the Quarantine operations for last year shows how much may be achieved by honesty, intelligence, and common sense in that department of State Administration. The abuses which prevailed under Carnochan will be acutely remembered by our shipping community for years to come. Dr. Vanderpoel has established no slight claim to public gratitude in throwing the lighterage open to public competition, and thereby removing a notable means of extortion; in abolishing the absurd and vexatious system of detention to which vessels from yellow-fever ports were subjected; and in maintaining generally the theory that the interests of commerce and public safety are pretty nearly identical in Quarantine administration.

CUSTOM-HOUSE GRIEVANCES.

No one in this City can suppose for a moment that Mr. Jackson S. Schultz would make a statement which he had any reason to believe erroneous. Yet he may be misled, like all the rest of us, by false information, or by want of proper information—and his speech before the Chamber of Commerce on Thursday clearly proves that he has labored under this disadvantage. So far as we can ascertain, by inquiry into the facts and the law, Mr. Schultz has not a leg to stand upon in any of the points he has raised.

He intimates that the "last year" has revealed either greater moral depravity on the part of the merchants, or greater integrity on the part of the Government officials, than ever before. If he means by this—as we suppose he does—that a larger number of seizures has been made, he is mistaken. It is well to be exact, even on such a question as this.

He says that when a firm is reported to have defrauded the Government it is not stated that some discharged clerk laid the information. What of it? If a fraud has been committed, and the officials receive information of it, they are bound, by law, to attend to the complaint. If the accused firm can prove its innocence, it has ample means of doing so. But the Custom-house officials cannot refuse to receive the evidence of a clerk simply because that clerk has been discharged from the employment of the accused firm. The Revenue laws are very precise, and it is the duty of the Custom-house officials to administer them. In the two well-known cases of seizure of books and papers which have been made in this City during the period referred to by Mr. Schultz, one firm signed an admission of its guilt—the case of the other will come before the courts. Does Mr. Schultz, or either of the firms, desire to enter into particulars?

"Plunder" is the word by which Mr. Schultz describes the share of the penalties for smuggling and fraud which are assigned to the Custom-house officials. It is not plunder. It is a certain sum prescribed by law. What is the use of employing rhetorical phrases in a serious statement addressed to the business community? At least let us all stick to the facts.

This is what Mr. Schultz further says on the subject:

"What has been paid to informers and pimps, as well as those sums which have been paid under color of law to the officials of the Government, are lost beyond recovery; but what has fallen to the share of the Government should never be allowed to defile the public Treasury."

What does Mr. Schultz mean by informers and pimps? Did he carefully consider the meaning of the word "pimp" before using it as applied to mercantile transactions and the Custom-house? Did he ever see a pimp? When he says that the penalties which "have fallen to the share of the Government should never be allowed to defile the public Treasury," he practically maintains that smuggling ought to go on unpunished. No penalties have been exacted from firms which were not guilty. But the Treasury is to return all penalties. It would be more straightforward to argue that the Revenue laws should be abolished altogether. If any merchant chooses to pay duties on imported goods, let him do it—but if any merchant does *not* choose, you must not compel him. Pray how are the liabilities of the Government to be met under such a system as that?

But Mr. Schultz goes into details, and when he does that he breaks down altogether. He mentions specifically the "diamond cases." Some diamond-dealers in this City and elsewhere try to evade the duties by getting their diamonds sent over in letter-packages through the post. Honest diamond-dealers, who pay duties without evasion, could never compete with this class of traders. Ought these diamond-packages to be opened or not? They *are* opened, generally by the person to whom they are directed, in presence of the proper officials. And quite right too. When a package sent through the post contains valuable goods—diamonds or laces—it cannot be regarded as a letter; it is a parcel of merchandise, and should be so treated. Postmaster General Creswell has ruled differently, and has issued an order which will encourage smuggling to an extent the Secretary of the Treasury will be better able to realize by and by.

But Mr. Schultz quotes an example of the grievance in question. A "highly-respectable firm in this City" had a package or letter sent to it containing diamonds. The package was addressed to the care of the Collector, and it was stopped. A dreadful outrage, says Mr. Schultz. Is not the fact that the parcel was addressed to the care of the Collector a proof that no fraud was intended?

Knowledge of the law would have restrained Mr. Schultz from putting forward this argument. The Collector is not allowed to have valuable parcels addressed to his care. He subjects himself to heavy penalties if he receives them. And the necessity for this is obvious. A Collector might easily become the agent of a nefarious traffic in diamonds or laces. He says to a man in Amsterdam or Paris, "send your goods in a package addressed to my care." And then he puts the package into his pocket, and only two persons are privy to the transaction—the Collector and his confederate. The law, to prevent anything of this kind, provides for a fine of $500 upon the Collector whenever he receives a package of the kind, and still more severe penalties in case of a repetition of the offense. Was Mr. Schultz aware of this?

The "highly-respectable firm" alluded to by Mr. Schultz was a firm of leather-dealers. What right had it to import diamonds through the post? And what hardship did the firm undergo? It was obliged to pay the proper duties on its diamonds. The parcel was opened, just as it would have been opened had it come in the ordinary way of business. It was *not* a letter. But, says Mr. Schultz:

"I do not disguise the fact that if the mails can be used without restraint for the purpose of conveying merchandise, that one of two things must happen—either we must give up the collection of duty on diamonds and other precious stones, and all commodities which can be concealed in an ordinary letter, or we must permit some one to open and otherwise supervise the delivery of the mail matter; and I cannot doubt which a free people will determine to be the wiser alternative."

In this passage Mr. Schultz puts the issue plainly enough. You must allow diamond dealers to use the Post Office for purposes of smuggling, because a "free people" will not consent to any "supervision of mail matter." A house like Tiffany's, which pays its duties honestly, must compete with dealers who get their jewels into the country duty free—because they are "smart" enough to send their consignments by mail. You must not touch a package if it comes through the Post Office, even although you may be aware that it contains diamonds. Would it not be better, as we have suggested before, for a "free people" to abolish its Revenue laws altogether? Why give the smuggler in the community an advantage over the honest merchant?

There has been no confiscation of diamonds. The clear requirements of the law have been complied with—no more and no less. And if Mr. Schultz wishes it, we will state the whole facts in the case of the leather-dealers who imported the diamonds in the special instance alluded to by him, and leave the public to decide upon its merits.

There are other points in Mr. Schultz's address which we must reserve for discussion till another day.

THE SALARY BILL IN THE SENATE.

On Wednesday last Senator Howe, of Wisconsin, had occasion to give notice that he intended to introduce to the Senate a bill on an important business matter, which he described as follows: "A bill to provide for the gradual withdrawal from circulation of irredeemable national bank notes, and the substitution therefor of redeemable national bank notes, to remove unjust restrictions upon banks of issue and upon the amount of circulation." In giving this notice Mr. Howe said: "If I should survive the pending debate on the question of salaries, I shall ask leave to introduce this bill in some pleasant morning hour." This was Wednesday. Since then, three days have been consumed in debate, and the "pleasant morning hour" has not yet arrived in which the Senate can find time to turn from disputing over the compensation of its members, to attend to the real business of the country.

There is something absurd in this interminable dallying over a question which ought to have been settled in a few days. The Senators do not seem to understand what it is that public opinion has settled down to in regard to this matter, and there is every reason to fear that they may discover their errors and their ignorance too late. What disgusted the great body of the people with the Salary bill was not so much this feature or that, not so much the unreasonable increase, or the provision for back pay, as it was the spirit shown in the whole affair. The voters looked on with amazement to see their representatives striving to put a few hundred dollars in their pockets, rejecting with contempt and ridicule the warnings of the more sober and clear-headed among them, and acting as if the powers reposed in them were not a trust, but private property, to be used in any way that should best advance their private interests. This is something that cannot be explained away. It cannot be repealed or blotted out of the record.

When Congress met, if it had honestly and in a business-like way made any one of half a dozen reasonable dispositions of the salary question, the country would have been satisfied. If it had reduced the salary to the old figure, including the average mileage, or to the old figure, and restored mileage; if it had dated the reduction from the meeting of Congress, or from the commencement of the present Congress; and if it had provided that the back pay, if returned to the Treasury, should forever remain in the possession of the Government, there would have been an end of the matter. The country would have recognized that this Congress had done better than the previous Congress, and would have dismissed the subject. As in the advance, so in the repeal of salaries—what the public takes note of is not the specific measures or their details, but the spirit in which the question is treated.

It must be acknowledged that the appearance of Congress in its retreat is no more creditable than was its appearance when it was marching to the famous raid on the Treasury. It retires very reluctantly. It is unwilling to part with one stiver of the booty, if it can help it. Its conduct constantly betrays a low motive. Congressmen yield, they say, to the will of the people, though they do not agree with it, which is not a very creditable admission for them to make. The tedious discussion of the various amounts of salary proposed, of the dates from which reduction shall take effect, of the expediency of surrendering this or that perquisite, —the painful calculation of how much virtue is demanded, and how little will suffice —all this is disgusting to the public. It has already gone far toward making utterly useless, so far as restoring public confidence is concerned, any action, however sweeping, which Congressmen may take.

We are sorry to have to remark that the conduct of the Senate in this matter has been very little better than that of the House. The discussions have been somewhat more dignified, but they have not been on a much higher level in point of common sense, disinterestedness, or pertinence. Senators have indulged very freely in the *argumentum ad hominem*, and have wrestled, in the same preposterous earnestness, with the petty question of perquisites and with the problem of popularity. It is only fair to say that the ablest men of the Senate have not shared in this wearisome procedure to any considerable extent, and have appealed to their associates, from time to time, to suspend it and go on to the business of the session. But their appeals have been in vain. What is unfortunate is, that there are so many men in the Senate who are not able, and over whom purely personal interests have control. The only consolation to be drawn from the conduct of these gentlemen is, that they are arousing the country to a clearer perception of the danger and discredit of sending small men to fill great positions. When the country fully perceives this, then the inquiry will arise, What is it that enables small men to attain such positions? And when the country seriously sets itself to answer that question, there will be some hope of substantial political reform, of which we at present stand sadly in need.

THE HERALD AND THE CITY CREDIT.

For the fiftieth time the "intellectual department" of the *Herald* echoes the dreary complaint, "Our City credit is in a worse condition than under the most corrupt days of the corrupt Tammany rule." It is hardly worth while reminding the public where the *Herald* stood in those "corrupt days," and what excellent reasons it had for pronouncing that "corrupt rule" to be among the most excellent specimens of government that the world has seen. The pay-rolls of the City departments and the courts are no longer studded with the names of its Bohemians, and it has lost some $27,000 owing to the "blundering financial policy" that insists on auditing bills in a sense other than metaphorical. What more natural than its plaintive inquiry, "Is the City bankrupt?"

But the "intellectuals" have really descried Municipal shipwreck, at only six days' distance. On the 15th inst., City bonds to the amount of nearly four millions and a quarter fall due, and as less than half the amount has been taken up, of course the City paper must go to protest. "Where is the money to come from to meet this indebtedness?" shrieks the *Herald* in its shrillest tones. Where, in this hour, is the mighty Belmont, whose opportune services to the impecunious Connolly were celebrated erewhile by the organ of Buchu? Where is the ingenious Sands, whose occult influence—price one-half per cent. commission—with the Rothschilds was the wonder and the envy of all meaner rascals, if such, indeed, there were? The Municipal bark is drifting on to certain destruction, and all the trusty pilots are either sulking or hiding. If it escape the Scylla of the impending two millions and a quarter deficiency, it must surely go to pieces on the Charybdis of the other four millions that mature a fortnight later. The *Herald* has said it, and, of course, it must be true.

The *Herald* expended a good deal of ingenuity in trying to prove that everything was lovely when the City was really drifting into bankruptcy—when its Treasury was empty, its credit gone, and all its corporate activity, from the Police to the public schools, coming to a deadlock. It wasted its efforts then, and it is wasting them now. The whole loan required to meet the bonds maturing Jan. 15, and amounting to $4,210,497 55, has been taken up at, and in some cases slightly above, par. The "heavy sacrifice to the City," which alone could extricate us from the consequences of "blundering and incompetent financial management," is, therefore, not quite apparent. Even Belmont's six per cent. gold bond transaction, concluded in a plethoric money market, and when the City debt was supposed to be half its actual amount, did not turn out any better than the loan concluded amid the adverse circumstances of the present time. Thanks to Mr. Belmont's commission, to the commission of Sands, and to deductions on behalf of other persons unknown, the proceeds of some $10,000,000 of these bonds were credited to the Treasury simply at par. The necessity for calling back Sands and "Slippery" Dick to save us from "disgraceful and unnecessary discredit" is, therefore, not yet imperative.

It is a pity that the *Herald*, while it was about it, did not proceed to show that the eight millions of bonds maturing in the course of the next three weeks were issued since its friends of the Ring lost control of the City, and that the fact of their conversion is, therefore, a perfectly conclusive proof that the City is worse governed than "under the most corrupt days," &c. Though the ability of its "intellectual staff" is not equal to the manufacture of a plausible misrepresentation, it may be worth while explaining that the revenue bonds of two years' date, which it is now proposed to convert into part of the funded debt, were issued in conformity with chapters 1 and 9 of the Session laws of 1872. Without going into details, it will sufficiently account for the necessity of their issue in the first instance, to remind the taxpayers that while the Ring was deluding them with the lying pretense of the two per cent. tax levy in 1871, the City was spending money—apart altogether from that derived from the sale of stocks—at a rate equivalent to at least 3⅜ per cent. on the valuation of the year. The tax levy for 1871 yielded about $24,000,000. That amount did not cover the ordinary expenses of the first eight and a half months of the year, and in spite of the most careful management, on the part of the Finance Department, at least, during the last three and a half months of the year, the ordinary liabilities of 1871 exceeded $36,000,000. Of course the $12,000,000 of deficit had to be made up somehow, and the greater portion of it has been borrowed at short dates. The community is simply unable to raise in one year or two, in addition to its ordinary burdens, an amount sufficient to pay for this portion of Ring plunder. Posterity must take its share of the penalty of misgovernment in the past; and when these bonds mature, some 30 years hence, let us hope that posterity will not have forgotten the lesson they convey. For the present, it is necessary to remember that in apportioning the responsibility for creating such a debt, the New-York *Herald* and other newspaper parasites of our Municipal thieves must be allotted a pretty large share.

HEADS AND HEELS.

It is significant, perhaps, of a growing change in public taste that almost all the grand balls which are now given at the Academy of Music are for a charitable purpose. It seems to be true that society is outgrowing this particular form of amusement, and that it needs to be presented under the disguise of duty to be any longer attractive. If this be the case, society certainly shows its sense. No form of social entertainment is more deceptive in its promises, more illusory in its pleasures, more totally unsatisfactory in its results than a grand ball. At the Academy of Music, the floor, as seen from the boxes, undoubtedly presents a graceful spectacle, full of the charm of shifting color and motion. But to the writhing victims who make up the spectacle, and who suffer themselves to be bumped and crushed and suffocated and all but torn asunder under the vain impression that they are dancing, the pleasure is certainly of a more subdued order. As much may be gathered from the countenances of the dancers, who wear throughout an air of settled gloom and anxiety befitting their perilous situation. And when the ladies next morning reckon up the harrowing tale of torn dresses, lost jewels, and ruined tempers, it may be doubted whether balls are to be placed among the pleasures or the penances of life.

Yet, for the sake of charity, these and even greater sufferings may be cheerfully endured. We hope to see the noble army of fashionable martyrs marching night after night to the Academy, until the last strain of the last benevolent waltz has ceased to exact their tortures. But we shall not be sorry to see the public ball dedicated and limited hereafter to the cause of charity. For its amusement society may find better and more rational devices; indeed, it seems already to be finding them. Dancing is certainly an elegant and pleasing accomplishment, and under favorable circumstances may even be made amusing. But hitherto in American society it has monopolized much more than its fair share of attention. It is a pleasure that at best only very young people can enjoy, and it is an accomplishment greatly inferior to many others which have been too long neglected. When these are given due prominence, and when dancing is put back to its proper place as an agreeable, but altogether incidental diversion in the scheme of social life, the improvement will be recognized at once. The exclusive devotion to charity of the Academy balls, which were once given for their own sake, is probably indicative of this transition. People are finding out the superior attractions of sociable little dinners and breakfasts, of small musical parties, of unpretentious evening reunions, which may have all the pleasantness of the *conversazione* without the stiffness and solemnity which that name is sure to inflict. Private theatricals, too, are coming more and more into vogue, together with the yet unexplored and inexhaustible fascinations of the charade. A score of ways of uniting friends together in an atmosphere of quiet enjoyment are being tested, where formerly there was but the inevitable harp or piano, or the maddening crush of the galop. It is not the least argument in favor of the innovation that half a dozen of the quieter sort of reunions may be had for the cost of a single terpsichorean "jam."

We trust that this revolt in behalf of heads against the tyranny of heels will not fall to the ground. Young people, of course, need amusement, and it is right that they should have it. But it is not right that they should monopolize all the amusement. And even of the young people there are many who will speedily find that Strauss and the German do not exhaust all the possibilities of social relaxation.

THE TEXAS AFFAIR.

If the Republicans of Texas had treated the Election law passed by the Thirteenth Legislature as a nullity from the beginning, they might have some reason to expect general support in the position they have now taken. But so far as we can ascertain, they did not deny the validity of the law until after they had been defeated under it. They cannot at least deny that they so far accepted it that they nominated candidates under it, and did their best to elect them, thus recognizing the law in the most solemn and public manner. Their State Convention adopted a platform, and their State Committee appealed to the people to support their principles and candidates. All this did not give any hint that they considered the law unconstitutional, and that any election which might be held under it would be held by them void. Indeed, it was not until the vote of the State had been counted, and it was found that the Democrats had a majority of about 30,000, that any doubt concerning the legality of the election was raised. This we believe to be a fair statement of the case.

It must be admitted that the Republicans have a good deal to be said for them. A reasonable construction of the clause of the Constitution we quoted the other day makes the Election law unconstitutional, and, of course, renders the election held under it a nullity. We are not surprised that the Supreme Court of the State has rendered a decision to this effect. This action of the court, unfortunately, renders an amicable adjustment of the affair apparently impossible. The Republicans in office will now insist upon retaining their places, and the Democrats elected in December have already shown that they do not intend to respect the decision of the court. They will inaugurate their Governor, and their Legislature will convene on the appointed days. It is asserted that Gov. Davis will treat this body as an unlawful assemblage, and will endeavor to prevent it from meeting. In the judgment of this body Gov. Davis will at that time be wholly without authority, and his mandate is not likely to be respected. In such a condition of affairs, a resort to force on both sides seems inevitable, and it is declared that Gov. Davis will probably call upon the President for troops.

This is not a pleasant prospect for the people of Texas. They can see before them nothing but serious disorder, or the preservation of the peace by the intervention of the General Government. Either will prove a great disaster, and we cannot hold the Republicans blameless in the matter. It is easy to say that the Democrats should respect the decision of the Supreme Court, admit that the election was a nullity, and leave the control of the State in the hands of their opponents. As law-abiding citizens, they should do so; but the Republicans, when they took up their present position, knew very well that the Democrats would do nothing of the kind. The latter might fairly plead that they had been entrapped by double-dealing, and that the Republicans, when they found they could not keep power under the law, determined to keep it in spite of the law. And it is evident to every Democrat in Texas that, the success of the Republicans depending entirely upon the support of the General Government, they must have reckoned upon that support before entering upon their scheme. There can be no question that they did, and this fact alone is sufficient to stamp their enterprise as injudicious.

The country has had enough of Federal interference in the affairs of the Southern States. Any party or persons who seek to breed more of the disturbances which have required such intervention, will be condemned by public opinion. The Republicans of Texas have so acted that, if they continue to have their way, they will in the end burden their party in the nation with their local quarrels to its great injury. The only course by which this can be avoided is to leave them to settle the matter with their opponents in the best way they can. We believe that the general sentiment of the country demands that the General Government shall keep aloof from this affair. The people of Texas, having got themselves into difficulty, should get themselves out of it. And it will be expected that they shall do it without a resort to force on either side.

THE COAL TRADE.

THE MINERS REJECTING THE PROPOSITION OF THE OPERATORS.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

POTTSVILLE, Penn., Jan. 9.—As predicted in the exclusive report which appeared in The Times of yesterday, of the result of the meeting in this city of the coal operators and working men to settle the basis of wages for the year 1874, the men are to-day voting upon and promptly rejecting the proposition of President Gower and the association. Over half of the region has been heard from in strong opposition to any reduction of prices from the $2 50 basis of last year. Some of the colliers have ceased work to-day, and will not resume until the question is settled. The men are firm and will not yield, so that a strike is inevitable unless President Gower and his association agree to last year's basis of wages. Some think they will not hold out and force a strike, while others declare that their action is but a part of the programme agreed upon in New-York on last Tuesday, at the meeting of the great coal companies, to put up the price of coal. Every day now will bring new and important developments.

NAVAL AFFAIRS.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

KEY WEST, Jan. 9.—The Wachusett has been ordered to Cedar Keys for Commodore Parker, Drill Master of Fleet, and for Admiral Case's wife and daughter. The Wabash has been ordered north for repairs, and the Colorado ordered to get ready for a trip to Cuba. The Worcester, Admiral Scott, will go to Havana to-morrow, or as soon as ready.

WASHINGTON NOTES.

BY GRACE GREENWOOD.

THURSDAY, Jan. 8, 1874.

This week the Senate and House have been rival establishments in the attractions and sensations they have offered. One could not linger long in either chamber, however well entertained, without fear of missing something important or spicy in the other. In the House the play has been, perhaps, better "worth the candle." There the contest has not been mere party strife, or disputes between "Mr. Money-love" and "Mr. Hold-the-world," "Mr. Live-loose" and "Mr. Save-all," but something of the deeper and deadlier antagonism of the races. The debate on Monday reminded me of scenes in the old House, twenty-two years ago, with a difference. Then the black man was insulted and ridiculed, but it was through his friends, the Abolitionists—he was not on the ground to answer for himself. The change was indeed wonderful, beyond the power of words to picture, to one who could remember those old days, and all the more absurd and incongruous seemed the tone and the attitude of the irascible gentleman from the Old Dominion, Mr. Harris, who burst on the scene like a political Rip Van Winkle, and threatened and warned and cracked his moldy old plantation whip in a pitiful sort of burlesque of the old swagger and swing. To be sure, the demonstration was directed, not toward white men, who might possibly call him out, but black men, between whom and himself there could be no troublesome question of an affair of honor. His little remark to Mr. Ransier: "You sit down; I am talking to white men and gentlemen, and not to *you*," brutally coarse as it was, would have been shocking if it had not been ridiculous. A little point of order, calmly put by a Massachusetts man, took the crack out of the plantation whip in about half a minute; which was also unlike the old time. Mr. Harris was very solemn and pathetic in his remonstrance against the mixing of the white and black children in the schools of the South. I cannot say how it would work there, but I am of the opinion, from all my knowledge and observation, that under such an arrangement the white children would be put to their mettle. In my experience, limited I allow, in teaching colored children, I have found them far more eager and anxious to learn, more diligent and ambitious, more sensitive to praise and blame, than white children. All my teaching was done years ago in Sunday-schools, and I never ceased to be astonished at the way my pupils leaped from the alphabet to the gospels. One poor boy, born a slave, learned in a few months of Sunday instruction to read the Sermon on the Mount better than the honorable gentleman from Virginia seems ever to have read it. By the way, Mr. Harris is himself a frightful example of the indiscriminate mixing of white and black children on the plantation and on the nurses' laps in the old pre-emancipation times—for he says "pore" for poor, "thar," "har," and "sar."

Slavery is dead, they all say—dead beyond all wildest possibility of resurrection, but every now and then there is in its carcass, its skeleton, a strange semblance of life, a fluttering, a stir, and a muffled cry, reminding one of the old story of the animated skull the brave maid of a German inn brought for a wager from a neighboring charnel-house, at night, and fell down fainting as she laid it on the table. Then it was found that a bat had made its nest within the ghastly hollow where once had wrought a human brain perhaps proud, clever, imperious, and chivalric.

Something of the dignity and importance of the old feudal system still hangs about Mr. Alexander H. Stephens, and, with the melancholy romance of the "lost cause," makes him a very interesting personage to all Democrats and some Republicans. It is not alone his age and feebleness, nor yet the traditien of his passionate eloquence, nor his character as a pure and honorable stateman of the old school, that inspires such demonstrative respect and rivets such rapt attention upon him whenever, with much fuss and circumstance, he gets upon his legs to address the House; but the fact that he was once an illustrious supporter and representative of the peculiar institution, that he was the Vice-President of the ill-starred Confederacy. I must say that in the excessive and pronounced deference paid to Mr. Stephens by some Northern men there is to me a degree of weak sentimentality and a touch of the old flunkeyism once so disgraceful to the North. As I watch them the ghost of the familiar old dough-face rises like the phantom heads of Moravia, and glides about, looking more sickly than ever it did in times when it was in every-day, constant Congressional wear. I respect the moral character of Mr. Stephens; I admire his composure and dignity of mien, his unquenched spirit and unbroken will; but I certainly do not honor him for his rebellion record. On the contrary, he seems to me more guilty than his compeers who inaugurated and carried on the war. He sinned against more light, and was less consistent than they. He loudly protested and solemnly warned, and gave in. He swam a few brave strokes against the mad current, and then drifted. So, so, this last great effort of the last great statesman of the South was answered by a negro!—answered with an elegance of diction matching his own, and a masterly, magnetic eloquence that charmed and held all that great audience, if it did not convince. How passing strange all this must have seemed to the fiery but just old man, calmly and resolutely as he has brought himself to accept the consequences of the "great quell" by which he and his accomplices were whelmed out of sight, and the altered condition of things when, getting their heads above water, they climb, one after another, to the deck of the old ship of state! New officers, new crew, new rigging, and a new chart—nothing familiar but that tiresome old flag—scorched at Sumter, and torn in a hundred battles—scorned and repudiated, but looking as good as new—triumphant and joyous, the flag of flags for ever!

Yesterday was another gala day for our colored citizens. Africa moved on the Capitol in force and betimes, to see her chief Butler uncork his bottles of wrath on the heads of the enemies of human and civil rights. That speech was, as you have seen, a magnificent special plea for the bill, a powerful argument against prejudice, by one who had conquered his prejudices. It was a speech that should have been as effective in its way as one of the first sermons preached by Saul of Tarsus after he got his eyes open at Damascus; but somehow there is in many minds a persistent, perverse doubt of the deep-down sincerity of the latter-day apostle. People question if the "old man" of Democracy, the original sin of the criminal lawyer, is yet dead. Mr. Butler sweeps all before him, for the time, by his impetuous torrent of speech, his wit and sarcasm and good-humored insolence—his dash, drive, and defiance. The source of his eloquence seems rather a water-spout than a mountain spring; but better such bursts of power, though they occasionally turn the "mills of God" the wrong way, than an eternal dribble and trickle that sets nothing in motion.

In the Senate the debate on the Salary bill has been more amusing than edifying, though some of the speeches are worthy of commendation. I especially liked that made by Mr. Edmunds, of Vermont. It was clear, calm, manly and just—as free from arrogance as from subserviency. Then, there was that droll effort of Mr. Flanagan—"Betty Flanagan," as we call

him—who furnished and supported himself for some hours, and finished his drive now unfathomed dollar notes in the faces of the melancholy Senators on the floor who had spent theirs, and the more melancholy spectators in the galleries who had never had them to spend. Those notes, together with his heavy watch chain and huge chatelaine, were too much for us. We could not hope ever to render the State such noble service or be so munificently paid, but we humbly desired not to be bullied into breaking the Ninth Commandment, and coveting our neighbor, Flanagan's, back pay. Next came Mr. Carpenter's racy, rollicking little speech. This Senator makes no wry faces over his humble pie—not a bit of it. He is ready to retrace his steps, since a wilful, misguided Wisconsin demands it, but he will not crawl back on all-fours. He knows he is right, but he is willing she shall have her way, since there is no help for it, yielding with the good grace of a philosopher, if not with the resignation of a saint. While defending his vote of last year, he playfully made some admissions which rather told against the increase of salary. He said he had taken his back pay, and "most thoroughly and faithfully spent it." Doubtless, if the sum had been ten times as great it would have been as "thoroughly and faithfully spent;" and the fight of Government with the Senator's 'creditors" to get back its Indian-like gift would have been as hopeless. There is something remarkably engaging and devil-may-care and outspoken in this jolly Mr. Worldly-Wiseman of the Senate. There is even a certain magnetism of good humor and good living, genius and geniality, about him. He is a Webster, with the dignity and decorum left out. He reminds one of Sheridan and Rochester and the Marquis of Donegal and other splendid old spendthrifts and good fellows, of whom this penurious, Puritanic age and country are not worthy. We are a little shocked at some sentiments he utters, but we rather like him for speaking them out, and not concealing them or glossing them over. We know just where to find him every time. His moral epidermis does seem to be a little thickened by law and politics and Washington associations, he is so comfortably unconscious of the damage he may be doing himself by his ingenuous admissions, and cheerful recklessness of statement. He never knows when and where he is hurt. He reminds me of one of Gov. Hunt's little camp stories. He—that is the Governor—described a poor white family of Missouri, careless, shiftless, and intolerably lazy, the daughters of which were accustomed to go barefoot till the soles of their feet became hard like unto horn. One of these young ladies, on coming home one day from a long tramp in the rain after the cows, was standing on the hearth drying her clothes, when her old mother drawled out, "Sal, thar's—a—live—coal—under—yer—foot."

The girl slightly turned her head, and drawled back: "*Which*—foot, mammy?"

AMUSEMENTS.

THE WIENIAWSKI-MAUREL CONCERTS.

The elements having finally wearied of persecuting MM. Wieniawski and Maurel, the concert given yesterday evening by these distinguished artists was very largely attended. It was, unhappily, the last of the series—unhappily, we say, for the dilettanti who have been kept away from Steinway Hall during the week just ending have certainly missed several delightful entertainments. Last night's affair was fully worthy of mention with its predecessors, and in some respects it exceeded them in interest. The programme was commenced with the melodious A minor quartette, by Schumann, which M. Wieniawski and Messrs. Schwartz, Matzka, and Bergner played with perfect ensemble. Then came the romance "Sei vendicata assai," from "Dinorah," sung by M. Maurel with the dignity and sentiment which his thoroughly artistic temperament and rare skill as a vocalist enable him to throw into the least important compositions. The baritone was, of course, recalled after his first effort, and he supplemented the romance with one verse of a graceful Italian song. M. Wieniawski followed M. Maurel, with his delicious "Légende," and his brilliant first polonaise. The first part of the concert closed with a romance from "Don Carlos," a piece which loses a good deal by transfer from the stage to the platform. The slight impressiveness of the number did not, however, lessen the effect of M. Maurel's recital, and the gentleman had to reappear, and, in deference to an encore, to give the andante of the air from "The Siege of Corinth." The second part of the performance introduced a pianist new to local audiences. Mme. Schiller, who is well known in Boston, had not until yesterday been heard in this City, when it became evident that Boston concert-goers were to be envied her possession. Mme. Schiller began by interpreting the piano-share of Beethoven's "Kreutzer" sonata. She at once offered evidence of sensibility, technique, and experience of no common kind. The playing of M. Wieniawski, who fairly surpassed himself in *massa-tric*, rather dwarfed, as the violin generally does, the piano-part of the sonata, but Mme. Schiller had, perhaps, a finer opportunity of asserting her solid qualities as a musician than in an ordinary solo. The transcription by Liest of themes from Mendelssohn's "Midsummer Night's Dream" afforded Mme. Schiller, a few minutes later, the required chance for an exhibition of her excellences as a soloist. She is unquestionably a most accomplished performer. She has considerable wrist-power, a touch of reasonable variety, unexceptionable cleanness of execution, and much finesse. If Mme. Schiller's tone were somewhat rounder, if her touch were a trifle more brilliant, and her style marked by a little more *brio*, nothing better could be desired. As it is, after adding to this enumeration of the pianist's characteristics that her readings are absolutely correct and very scholarly in respect of rythm we shall have said enough to warrant the regret that she should be wedded to Boston instead of New-York. Mme. Schiller was much applauded last evening, and she had to return to the instrument and play an Etude, by Kullax. Subsequently, M. Wieniawski interpreted Ernst's fantasia, on motives from Bellini's "Il Pirata;" and, on being recalled amid much enthusiasm—as after his first piece which, by the way, he had to supplement by Vieuxtemp's "St. Patrick's Day"—he recited "Le Carnaval." The duo from "La Favorita," by M. Maurel and Miss Bull—whom we ought not to forget to credit with a satisfactory rendering of the florid "Ah! con lui!" from Piccini's "Saffo"—ended the concert. This evening MM. Maurel and Wieniawski are to appear in Poughkeepsie.

TO-DAY'S MATINEE.

Mr. Thomas' farewell matinée concert at Steinway Hall may be attended to-day. The programme is, as usual, an excellent one.

OBITUARY.

HON. JOHN B. THOMPSON.

Hon. John B. Thompson, Ex-Lieutenant Governor of Kentucky, died in Harrisburg, Ky., on Wednesday last, aged sixty-four years. He was born in Kentucky, and was a Representative in Congress from that State from 1840 to 1843, and again from 1847 to 1851, and in 1833 he was elected a Senator in Congress for the long term. He was a member of the Committee on Private Land Claims, and of that on Pensions.

DR. J. A. P. SCOTT.

Dr. J. A. P. Scott, the oldest physician at Mason, Columbia County, S. C., died yesterday. He was a member of the South Carolina Legislature fifty years ago.

COURT-MARTIAL IN CASE OF GEN. FUNK.

A private telegram received last night from Albany states that a court-martial has been ordered to investigate a series of charges against Brig. Gen. Funk and Col. Stanf. The court-martial will be held in this City during the present month. Gens. Shales, Woodward, and Knox were formerly appointed, but under detail (revised) by General Order No. 1, the following officers have been appointed: Major Gen. John E. Woodward, Second Division; Brig. Gen. Wm. J. Ward, First Brigade; Brig. Gen. Jeremiah V. Shaler, Seventh Brigade; Brig. Gen. J. Grant Dunn, Twenty-third Brigade; Col. Wm. Hickey, Nineteenth Regiment; Judge Advocate; Major Gen. Woods, Judge Advocate of the State, Recorder; Major Gen. Shanahouse, Adjutant General of the State.

TAMMANY REPEATS ITSELF.

THE DEMOCRATS CHEATING EACH OTHER.

An important result of the operation of the United States Election law and the great reform movement of 1871 is that the wholesale repeating which was practiced at the polls with impunity when Tammany held undisputed sway is now very dangerous to those who attempt it, if it is not impossible. This privilege, always so dear to Tammany voters, is felt by the mass of them to be a great hardship. Honest men will get into office in spite of them. While prevented by the Reform watchers and the vigilant agents of the National Government from casting as many ballots as they please at the polling-booths on general election days, they have still an opportunity left to cheat each other. This they do at their own primary elections. When the newly-elected General Committee assembled on Thursday evening last, it was found that there were contesting delegations from four Assembly districts and the new Twenty-third Ward. The contestants charge each other with all kinds of unfairness, and it would appear, from their several allegations that there never was such monstrous repeating since the days that Sweeny & Co. were chief engineers of the party. The temporary Committee on Organization and Contested Elections, appointed at the meeting of the new General Committee, assembled yesterday, and under the direction of John Kelly, who presided, opened a sort of a court for the hearing of the disputants. The committee, well chosen for the object in view, intend, if precedents are followed, to alternately advise, cajole, and threaten the most fractious and exacting spirits among the contestants, until they are brought into subjection and forced to submit to the programme which Kelly, Morrissey, and the other leaders of Tammany Hall have decided upon. Oil will thus be thrown upon the troubled waters, and the General Committee will become, as it has always been, the mere automaton of a few leading politicians. The protests of the contestants presented to the as yet unorganized General Committee, and which are now subjects of consideration for the temporary Committee on Organization, are all of the same general character. Each party charges the other with frauds more or less flagrant. In the Fifth Assembly District there were four tickets for delegates to the General Committee to be voted at the primary election.

One of the tickets was headed with the name of Ed. R. Meade, another by Peter Mitchell, another by one Candy, and the fourth by John H. Statlander. The Meade, or, as it is better known in the Tammany party, the Hughes ticket, received 1,041 votes, the Mitchell ticket 383, the Candy ticket 310, and the Statlander ticket 230—total, 1,964 votes. This number of votes at a primary in this district is something unprecedented, and when it is considered that they were all cast in two hours, between 7 and 9 P. M., it is simply marvelous. In fact it is not too much to say that it was impossible. The Mitchell party, in their expressive vernacular, averred that "it was too thin," and in their elaborate protest, ostensibly to the General Committee, but in reality to the "two Johns," Morrissey and Kelly, set forth that Henry Hughes, of the opposition, "imported" repeaters from the First, Twelfth, Fourteenth, and Fifteenth Wards to further the success of his ticket, and that the 383 votes cast for the Mitchell ticket were legitimate, and that that ticket had a plurality of the honest votes actually polled. In the Sixth District Assistant Alderman Michael Healey appears as the advocate of the ticket opposed to the one headed by Ex-Senator Timothy J. Campbell. Mr. Healey alleges that Campbell has ruled the party in the Sixth District for a long time. He has made the organization there a close corporation by placing his brothers, brothers-in-law, and other relatives and friends on the General Committee. By means of his own inspectors of the primary elections he is enabled to elect any ticket he desires, and those so elected, it is averred, are not the representatives of the Tammany voters of the district. Messrs. Healey and Matthew Patten, who head the opposition to Campbell, have submitted to this state of affairs for a number of years, because they could not help themselves. They are now determined to strike a "blow for political freedom," and do so by protesting against the further existence of the Campbell close corporation. The Twelfth District has been controlled for years by Henry Woltman, A. Conner, &c., &c. "He has had everything his own way," it is stated, by means of his own inspectors of election and the district organization. Mr. John Monks and a number of others have determined to overthrow the reign of Woltman, if possible, and at the late primary election ran an opposition ticket. The Woltman ticket was "counted in," and the Monks party, believing that its defeat was illegal, have protested. In the Sixteenth District Maurice J. Power and others were opposed by Assemblyman Peter Woods. Both parties protest that after they had jointly agreed upon certain candidates each struck two or three names from the several ballots prepared for voters. In the Nineteenth District, Peter Masterson and Thos. O'Callaghan are opponents, and they severally urge the claims for recognition of two tickets run in that district. Masterson alleges that he had 1,000 ballots printed with the names of those he favored, and on the night of the election there was scarcely any of them to be found for voters. Out of over 400 votes cast in the district he only received 24. He protests that the ballots of his party were made away with, and that those who desired to vote the ticket he favored were fraudulently prevented from doing so.

In the new Twenty-third Ward there were three tickets "run," and two of the contesting parties declared that the votes were improperly counted, and that those declared defeated severally received more votes than the ticket which was certified to by the inspectors of election as the one elected. The temporary Committee on Organization did not succeed in dispatching much of the business before it yesterday, and will probably have to hold a number of sessions before it does.

The question of the contested election in the Fifth District was the first business brought up. After hearing both parties and some deliberation it was decided that the Henry Hughes ticket had been duly elected, notwithstanding the charges of repeating. A protest from voters in the Tenth District was received—in addition to those from the districts mentioned—against the correctness of the ticket for delegates from that district, headed by Coroner Anthony Eickhoff. The committee decided that the Eickhoff ticket was elected. The hearing of the other contestants will proceed to-day.

THE WEST INDIES.

EXPULSION OF BAEZ FROM SAN DOMINGO—DISTURBANCES IN HAYTI.

ST. THOMAS, Jan. 4.—A French man-of-war arrived here this morning, bringing Ex-President Baez, of San Domingo, as a passenger. When the revolutionists appeared before San Domingo, Baez, seeing that resistance was useless, entered into a convention with Gen. Gonzales, the supreme chief of the revolutionists, stipulating that he should be allowed to leave peaceably, and that his friends should be permitted to remain in the country unmolested. This was agreed to, and the revolutionists immediately entered the capital amid the acclamations of the people. The country is tranquil. Business continues as usual. Gen. Gonzales denies having given any orders affecting the Samana Bay Company. On the assembling of Congress the matter of the lease will be calmly discussed.

JACMEL, Jan. 1.—The insurgent movement near Port-au-Prince has been suppressed and the leaders arrested. Serious disturbances are feared at the coming Presidential election.

MEXICAN AFFAIRS.

CLAIMS AGAINST THE UNITED STATES—THE TAMAULIPAS ELECTIONS.

MATAMORAS, Jan. 8.—*La Voz Publica* of this city states that claims exceeding $100,000,000 against the United States have been presented before the Mexican Frontier Commissioners, recently authorized to investigate the depredations and injuries committed on the Mexican side of the Rio Grande by American citizens, and that this amount will hardly cover the losses sustained by inhabitants of the State of Tamaulipas.

The Governor has called an extra session of the Congress of this State to consider the questions which have arisen out of the discord and the irregularities in the late municipal election in Tampico, Matamoras, and other parts of the State.

THE BOARD OF REGENTS.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 9.—The Board of Regents to-day adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That after full inquiry, this board cannot ascertain that any academy or school under its visitation teaches the tenets or creed of any religious or denominational sect or society, and that no institution under its visitation comes within the provision of the seventh section of the act, chapter 642, of 1873, except the Hartwick Seminary.

CANAL NAVIGATION.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Jan. 9.—Two canal-boats laden with wheat, in tow of a tug, left this port this morning for Lockport. Canal navigation in this locality at this season is without precedent. The weather is still soft, and there is no ice or snow. The lake, river, and canal are clear.

CUBAN AFFAIRS.

THE DEPOSITION OF CESPEDES—THE SITUATION.

From Our Own Correspondent.

HAVANA, Saturday, Jan. 3, 1874.

The new year has now been ushered in, leaving affairs in the same disturbed, uncertain, and dangerous condition in which they have been for the past nine months. The changes effected in the Cuban Government, somewhere in the woods, have met with the approval of almost all the sympathizers with the Cuban cause, although many express their regret at the reappointment of Aldama as agent of the Cubans abroad, and, from his well-known character, fear that he will divide the factions abroad still more, while lacking the requisite talent and energy to organize and carry out expeditions which would bring material aid to the Cubans in the field. The refusal of Mr. Mestre to act with Aldama has set the sympathizers thinking. The working people and middle classes among the Cubans would have preferred a representative of their ideas and one among them, instead of the recognized leader of the aristocratic faction. The changes effected here are praised, as the Marquis of Santa Lucia, although possessed of a title, has always been democratic in his views and an abolitionist. Possessed of a firm will, and liked by the masses, his orders are obeyed with alacrity by all the Cuban Generals, Cespedes having been little more than a mere figure-head for the past eighteen months. Two weeks ago Cespedes barely escaped capture by a Spanish column, his few guards having gone to waylay a mail carrier. One of them being caught, revealed the whereabouts of the Ex-President on promise that his life would be spared. When within a mile of the place a squad of Cubans met the Spaniards by accident, and shots were exchanged at once, the noise putting Cespedes on his guard and allowing him ample time to escape. When the Spaniards arrived at the huts they found several letters of no importance addressed to Cespedes and a few articles of clothing, besides the remnant of a frugal dinner. An hour later the Spaniards were in full retreat, as their scouts announced the approach of Vicente Garcia with over 600 men, the Spaniards numbering only 150. The Cubans expect the early return of President Aguilera, a letter from the insurgent districts announcing that he had written letters expressing his intention of an early return, accompanied by an expedition.

FUTURE EXPEDITIONISTS.

Although the fate of the Virginius is still fresh in everybody's mind, it is generally supposed that the example will not hinder the Cubans from undertaking similar enterprises. How the Spaniards feel on the subject is best expressed by a paragraph from the New-York *Cronista* republished here, the *Voz* adding that it fully agrees with the sentiment. The paragraph says:

"The delivery up of the Virginius pirates is the instantaneous and irrevocable sentence of death of all those who, in like circumstances, should fall into the hands of the Spanish soldiers."

And this idea is general here. In conversation with prominent Spaniards and naval officers the opinion is unanimous that in case another filibustering craft is caught, no executions will take place on land, and no investigation will be necessary. The Spanish cruiser will sink the filibuster by "accident," and that will avoid claims and diplomatic interference.

INSURGENT INTERFERENCE.

The *Voz de Cuba* has published some letters captured by the troops, and which persons acquainted with the handwriting of the authors, and who have seen the letters at the office of the journal, pronounce genuine beyond a doubt. The *Voz* comments upon these letters at length. The first is from Gen. Felix Figueredo, the present Cuban Minister of War, and was written from Vijagual some days after the destitution of Carlos Manuel de Cespedes. The opinion of Figueredo about Cespedes is plain:

"From the 16th of October we began to meet at the camp of Vijagual. Calisto, Garcia, and Maceo arrived with 2,000 men. The members of Congress also arrived, and only Cespedes was absent, he having remained with his adherents at the fortified camp in the Somante de Canbute mountains. On the 20th everybody was in suspense; the atmosphere was heavy, and a flash of lightning which struck a palm-tree the evening before foreshadowed the storm which was to follow. Garcia Iñiguez arrived with the correspondence from the interior, and Col. Varona brought that from the Camaguey. The letters all agreed in tone, and seemed inspired by one common thought. Such a phenomenon said plainly that the finger of God was pointing to a victim for punishment for having forgotten the sacrifices of the Cubans and the quantity of blood shed. The letters of Roa, G. Beritez, Sanchez B., Anita Betancourt, Mora, and a hundred others, said many things, which may be summed up as: 'No more; the cup is filled to overflowing.'"

The Chamber of Representatives assembled at Vijagual de Jiguani, (not Bejucal de Jiguani,) was composed of the following eight: The Marquis of Santa Lucia, presiding officer, and Perez Trujillo, J. Fornario, Tomas Estrada, Juan Spoturno, Luis Victoriano Betancourt, Edwards Machado, and Marios Garcia, members. This body at once removed Cespedes from his position as President of the Republic of Cuba, and on the 27th of October elected Mr. Francisco Aguilera, the present Vice President, to replace him, the Marquis of Santa Lucia acting as President until Mr. Aguilera returns to the island. Another letter in possession of the *Voz de Cuba*, and written by the Marquis de Santa Lucia, says:

"Cespedes tried to annul the proceedings of our Congress, calling on the people or army, issuing a manifesto and sending it to Garcia, for the latter to read; but it was already too late. Garcia replied to him, in a dignified manner, that the people and army, by means of their legitimate representatives, had already decided upon the subject and that Cespedes obeyed because forced to do so."

This version appears correct, as in Figueredo's letter he indicates that Cespedes refused to deliver the archives. The letter says:

"The new Government, accompanied by the members of Congress, went to the Somante, where Cespedes resides. The bull was loose and I had to tackle him. What a terrible row with the lawyers! In the first place they demanded; in the second also; in the third they wished; in the fourth they objected, and in the fifth they advised; sixthly they threatened, begged in the seventh instance, and in the eighth gave in because such was the given order. Here we are at Toronja, near Guira, ordering and arranging whatever had been unfortunately planned to please the Dictator, but against the interests of the Republic. What a terrible dose the 27th of October has been to many! Let Quesada, Mariano Acosta, Francisco Javier, and others speak, and the main thing is to be done yet."

What this main thing is, none of the writers mention in their letters, but from another paragraph in Figueredo's letter, it seems it is the impeachment and trial of Cespedes. The charges against Cespedes are, according to Figueredo's letter: 1. That he abandoned the Cinco Villas. 2. That he violated article 20 of the Constitution. 3. That he raised numerous obstacles to prevent the new Deputies from performing their functions. 4. After removal of these obstacles, that he tried to corrupt Deputies from the Villas, offering the Ministry of War to Spoturno, and to Garcia the chief command over the eastern department of the Villas. Figueredo adds that there are other and graver charges still, Cespedes having calumniated the legislative body and acted the part of a traitor; he was also in connivance with the autonomists abroad. Lastly, Garcia accuses Cespedes of having threatened to declare the members of Congress rebels if they decide to depose him. This finishes the recital of all particulars we have about the removal of Cespedes from a post which he has occupied since the outbreak of the revolution. As the war stands now, it will make but little difference whether Cespedes or anybody else occupies the Presidential chair. A year ago Cespedes represented an idea, and his death or deposition would have been fatal to the Cuban cause. Three years ago 50,000 island Spaniards would have taken up arms to crush the rebellion; to-day it would be difficult to gather one-tenth of this number for this purpose, unless the Captain General forces the people to rise by ordering a general draft. It is yet time for the Spaniards to organize an army recruited from the 150,000 able-bodied men they have at their disposal. In six months from now Jovellar would hardly be obeyed if he should issue the order, unless the state of affairs in the interior changed materially, and there are no indications that such will be the case.

THE FINANCIAL QUESTION.

The Junta of the Debt continues its daily sessions, discussing the many wild-cat projects brought before it by its members and outsiders. Not a single plan has as yet been proposed which presents any features likely to settle the question, and, irrespective of all movements in the field, or complications in Spain, the financial crisis is sufficiently powerful in itself to ruin the island and its people. Commerce lies prostrate, and the smaller manufacturers and artisans are on the brink of ruin. It is a wonder that the retail merchants have kept up so long, but now it is generally supposed that numbers will have to suspend within a short time, and be followed by the suspension of large houses. As all houses are more or less connected, the failure of a couple will disarrange and destroy what little confidence remains yet among the mercantile community. Whatever sugars are brought to market will be sold for gold, but the gold thus obtained is not sufficient to meet all expenses, and I predict, ere many weeks have passed, the spectacle of a bread riot in the streets of Havana.

IMPORTANT TELEGRAM.

The Portuguese Government has at last listened to the representations made by the Ambassadors of different civilized nations, and has done what it ought to have done long ago—issued an order prohibiting the shipment of Chinamen from the port of Macao. The enslaving of the Chinese in Cuba was due to the Portuguese Government in the first place, which allowed the kidnapping of young Chinamen, and permitted them to be kept within its territory until the slaver was ready to take its freight to Cuba. The Chinese Commission, which is investigating matters here, to furnish data to another commission which is to come later, is perfectly horror-struck at the treatment to which their countrymen are subjected, and which exceeds anything they ever imagined. They fancied also that the Portuguese Consuls here had been strong protectors of the Chinese, but here again they found that such had not been the case. But the hour seems fast approaching when the negro and Chinaman will be treated differently, if only for interest's sake; and as no more Chinese slaves will arrive here, those now on the island must be taken care of. It is different when you can get a thousand dollars' worth of work out of a Chinaman costing only five hundred, with the opportunity of buying as many as one needs, and of getting double the result, without any chance of finding substitutes for the dead. According to estimates taken from different plantations, forty-five per cent. of the Chinamen bought die previous to the expiration of the first contract, lasting six years. The Chinese slaves now get $4 25, paper money, per month, which is equal to about $2 50, or eight cents a day, they working generally from fourteen to eighteen hours. An Italian steamer has just arrived with 750 Chinese slaves.

THE COLONIAL MINISTER.

The slaveowners have taken a new departure and instead of attacking the Colonial Minister are "soft-soaping" him. All the great and shining lights of the Junta of the Debt, the Casino, the misnamed Juntas for protecting the rights of the slaves and the Chinamen, together with all other Juntas organized ostensibly for patriotic, humane, and civilized purposes, have called on Mr. Soler, and both parties play the most hypocritical game possible on a large scale. No love is lost between them, and yet Soler visits the plantations of the most notorious pro-slavery men, arranges dinners to be given by him in their honor and seven gives a dinner to Gen. Jovellar and the subordinate Generals as a token that peaceable relations have been re-established between them.

WAR NEWS.

A report is current that the insurgents defeated Montaner's column, capturing the commander and a number of his men. As the name of the Cuban General, Sanguili, is mentioned as his opponent, I suppose that the fight took place somewhere in the Camaguey. No particulars of the affair, either from Spanish or Cuban sources, have been made public yet, and the whole may be simply one of the numerous canards floating about.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Brig. Gen. Sabas Marin assumes the position made vacant by the removal of Burriel as commanding General of the Eastern Department. Col. Arias takes command of the Holguin and Las Tunas Departments.....Gen. Jovellar says that he will bring morality into the Quartermaster and Commissary Departments. This joke is very stale, as every one of his predecessors said the same thing, tried it, and failed. The employes are too well organized among themselves, and far too smart to be caught by an honest Captain General. It takes a thief to catch a thief....Assassinations of overseers and administrators on the plantations in the Vuelta Abajo continue, and it is feared that the example will be followed by the hands on plantations in other districts. This assassination policy is horrible, but evil deeds, like chickens, come home to roost....The *Voz de Cuba* calls upon the correspondents of the New-York press to deny the statement which appeared in the *Herald* was dated Key West the 20th, and set forth that the volunteers had been firing right and left at the people. This is a falsehood. I can only say that I never sent such a palpable untruth.... The *Republica Española*, newspaper, unable to furnish the required deposit of $500, has suspended publication....Thieves broke in the Jesus del Monte Church, and made off with the sacred vases and the ornaments of the Virgin....Mr. Gil Gelpi has left for Spain with his presses and types. This he did to prevent a Republican journal being printed with them. Mr. Gelpi promises to continue the publication of the *Constancia* in Madrid, and although in some respects a little odd, he was undoubtedly the most honest, and, in some respects, the most intelligent, member of the Conservative Party. If the party had followed his advice on some occasions they would not now find themselves on the brink of destruction....The opera continues under many disadvantages. Mme. Lucca, in "La Fille du Régiment," was much applauded, though she imitated closely the style of Mme. Aimée in her acting.

ARREST OF FERNANDO CISNEROS—A FORCED LOAN OF THIRTY MILLIONS TO BE LEVIED.

HAVANA, Jan. 9.—Fernando Cisneros, a prominent Cuban, against whom a decree of banishment from the island exists, took passage at Vera Cruz for St. Thomas on the steam-ship John Ender, which touches here. When the vessel arrived at Havana Cisneros voluntarily landed. He was recognized, arrested, and lodged in jail.

The Junta of the Debt at yesterday's session resolved that the only means of relieving the financial crisis is by the system of forced loans, and will issue one of $30,000,000, at six per cent. interest, payable in gold.

THE ANNEXED TOWNS.

MEETING OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE OF SUPERVISORS LAST EVENING.

The committee on the annexation of the three towns—Morrisania, West Farms, and King's Bridge—met last night, at the house of Supervisor Ottendorfer, No. 7 East Seventeenth street. There were present Supervisors Hunt, of White Plains, Mr. Koch, of this City, and others. Gen. Joseph C. Pinckney acted as Clerk. Mr. Hunt presided. After a long interchange of views, a resolution was adopted directing the legal advisers of the Boards of Supervisors of New-York and Westchester Counties to apply to the Supreme Court of the Third Judicial District for an order legalizing the action of the committee at the previous meeting, and ordaining that the valuation of Westchester County property shall be considered as an offset to the debt of the annexed towns. A committee of three members of each board was then appointed to procure the necessary legislation for the new district. The committee then entered into a discussion as to the State mill tax to be paid by the annexed towns, and the interest and principal of their bounty debt, part of the latter falling due 1874. The meeting then adjourned.

TROUBLES OF RAILROAD CONDUCTORS.

Many of the oldest conductors on the New-York Central and Hudson River Railroads have recently been summarily discharged. They were simply informed that their services were no longer needed, and no reason was given them for this action on the part of the companies. Some of the men so discharged had been in the employ of these roads for more than twenty years, and nothing had ever been said against their honesty. It is supposed that the new system of duplex tickets and bill punches has caused all this trouble, as it is understood that they were dismissed upon complaints made by detectives who were put on the trains to watch the manner in which they worked them. On Friday, the 2d inst., twelve conductors were discharged simultaneously, and much excitement was caused by it along the whole line of the road, for among them were some who had grown gray in the service. It seems that this duplex ticket system has never worked well on these roads, and has caused considerable trouble to the conductors. The right to use the invention was bought and used by the two roads mentioned in January, 1873, and the conductors found it exceedingly difficult to comply with the regulations concerning them, and it is said that a short time ago the companies informed Mr. Webb, the inventor, of the difficulties encountered in their use. He undertook to see to it himself, and put Pinkerton's detectives on the trains to watch the conductors. This was done, and the conductors, whose names they reported, were summarily dismissed.

THE NEW PARADE-GROUND.

Commissioners McClave and Traphagen met yesterday, at No. 1 Pine street, to hear objections to the proposed public parade-ground at the upper end of the island. The tract of ground which it is proposed to convert into the parade-ground extends from Dyckman avenue north-east to Two Hundred and Eleventh street, bounded on the west by Sherman avenue, and on the east by New Avenue and the Harlem River. Mr. Levi A. Lockwood thought that the act providing for the parade-ground had been drawn up in a bungling manner, but that it had better be amended than repealed. He said that if the act were carried into effect the adjacent property should bear the assessments, as property at a distance would derive no benefits from the ground. Mr. Fordham Morris thought that the parade-ground would not directly benefit the property-owners. The very nature of a parade-ground intended for the maneuvres of military bodies would depreciate the value of property in the neighborhood. Mr. Morris referred to the Champs de Mars, in Paris, Phœnix Park, in Dublin, and the parade-grounds of England as illustrations of his argument. The meeting then adjourned.

THE BUREAU OF CHARITIES.

The Committee of Nine of the Bureau of Charities held its regular weekly meeting yesterday afternoon, in the building of the Commissioners of Charities and Correction, Mr. Theodore Roosevelt presiding. Prof. Joy, the Secretary, read a communication from Dr. Hoyt, Secretary of the Board of State Charities, stating that testimony in reference to certain supposed fraudulent charities is on file at the office of the board, and can be made available to the Committee of Nine on Application. A letter was read from Hon. Alexander H. Rice, of Boston, containing valuable information regarding the organization of charities. A communication was also received containing a list of seven distilleries notorious rendezvous of vagrants. For the sake of uniformity in the transaction of its business, the bureau has decided to divide the City into twenty-two districts and 371 sections, in accordance with the plan adopted by the New-York Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor. Mr. Dorman B. Eaton has been requested by the committee to prepare a digest of the laws relating to pauperism and charity for the State of New-York. The proof-sheets of all the necessary forms of circulars, cards, &c., of the bureau were submitted at the meeting and approved. The circulars will be printed and distributed to different charitable institutions and to clergymen throughout the City. The committee has engaged the services of an assistant Secretary, who will be in constant attendance at their offices every day. A majority of the members of the committee have signified their intention to visit the office at intervals during the week and personally superintend the business of the bureau. Weekly meetings of the committee will be held every Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

THE GOLD WATCH SWINDLE AGAIN.

Mrs. Catherine Wolff, of No. 87 Eighth avenue, appeared in Jefferson Market Police Court yesterday as complainant against Louis Beinzheimer and Ferdinand Schreyger, charging them with swindling. She states that last September the prisoners called on her, and Beinzheimer, representing himself as the President of the Mutual Life Insurance Company, said her husband was insured "with them" for $1,000, and was entitled now to $250. She knew nothing about it, and while they were talking the matter over a strange man, who gave his name as Oppenheimer, appeared on the scene, and making a piteous story, Messrs. Beinzheimer and Schreyger affected a deep interest in him. He spoke about unredeemed goods of great value in the Custom-house, and next produced "three magnificent gold watches," and asked for a loan just for respectability's sake upon them of $200. The two insurance Presidents admired the watches very much, and on their recommendation Mrs. Wolff lent the scoundrel $150 on them. Of course, she never saw any of the parties again until two of them were committed yesterday in default of $1,000 bail.

THE MILLERS' NATIONAL CONVENTION.

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 9.—The next convention of the Millers' National Association will be held in this city Wednesday, Jan. 14. A cordial invitation is extended generally to millers in the Dominion of Canada, whose co-operation is earnestly desired. The prospect is that the convention will be largely attended and result in great good to the milling interests of the country.

ARRIVALS AT THE HOTELS.

Gen. W. L. Elliott, United States Army, is at the Sturtevant House.

Commander R. F. R. Lewis, United States Navy, is at the Astor House.

Gen. G. S. Hartsuff, United States Army, is at the St. James Hotel.

Pay Inspector G. E. Thornton, United States Navy, is at the Union Square Hotel.

Paymaster F. T. Billett, United States Navy, is at the Metropolitan Hotel.

F. O. C. Darley, the artist, and Capt. J. W. Cuyler, United States Army, are at the Westminster Hotel.

Judge R. D. Rice, of Maine; Hon. J. H. B. Latrobe, of Baltimore, and Pliny Jewell, of Hartford, are at the Fifth Avenue Hotel.

Ex-Gov. J. B. Page, of Vermont; G. B. Roberts, Vice-President of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, and Ex-Mayor Dwight, of Binghapton, are at the St. Nicholas Hotel.

THE INVENTOR OF FAIRBANKS' SCALES CREATED A KNIGHT OF THE IMPERIAL ORDER OF "FRANCIS JOSEPH."

A letter from the United States Commissioner at Vienna announces that the Emperor of Austria has created Thaddeus Fairbanks, of St. Johnsbury, Vt., the inventor of the Fairbanks' scales, a Knight of the Imperial Order of "Francis Joseph." This is a rare testimonial to the value of American inventive genius, but when the immense value of a reliable and standard weighing machine to the commerce of the entire civilized world is considered, it is one fully merited.—*The World.*

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AMOORE—STAGG.—On Wednesday, Jan. 7, at Calvary Church, Summit, N. J., by Rev. M. M. Benton, J. NILES AMOORE, of Paterson, N. J., to HENRY LOUISA, daughter of the late John Stagg, Esq., of New-York.

☞ Louisville (Ky.) papers please copy.

BOWERMAN—CHAMBERLAIN.—On Thursday evening, Jan. 8, at residence of the bride's sister, Mrs. Aaron Hardman, No. 104 West 48th st., by Rev. Dr. Hastings, WILLIAM D. BOWERMAN and JULIA M. CHAMBERLAIN. No cards.

BABCOCK—BEADLE.—In Brooklyn, Wednesday evening, Jan. 7, at the residence of the bride's father, E. F. Beadle, by Rev. Dr. E. R. Beadle, of Philadelphia, JOHN H. BABCOCK, of New-York, and SOPHIA BEADLE.

GREEN—GRISWOLD.—On Thursday, the 8th inst., at the residence of the family, in Troy, N. Y., by Rev. R. P. H. Vail, assisted by Rev. C. E. Robinson, EDWARD M. GREEN to BESSIE H. GRISWOLD, daughter of the late Hon. John A. Griswold.

LAWRENCE—COOKE.—On Thursday, Jan. 8, at Trinity Chapel, by Rev. F. C. Ewer, assisted by Rev. T. McK. Brown, WM. H. C. LAWRENCE, of Boston, to ANNIE H., daughter of Dr. C. L. Cooke, of New-York.

McMINN—HULL.—Dec. 30, at the residence of the bride's parents, by Rev. R. G. Hutton, of Oyster Bay, REGINALD R. MCMINN, to KATIE, second daughter of R. Hull, Esq., East Norwich, Long Island. No cards.

SAMPSON—BRECKELS.—At Dobb's Ferry, N. Y., Thursday, Jan. 8, by Rev D. D. Smith, Mr. WILLIAM C. SAMPSON, of New-Brunswick, N. J., to Miss RACHEL BRECKELS, of the former place.

SACKETT—WARDWELL.—At Stamford, Conn., on Thursday, Jan. 8, 1874, by Rev. William Tatlock, JAMES W. SACKETT, of this City, and Miss ANNIE W. WARDWELL, daughter of

THE REAL ESTATE MARKET.

At the Exchange, yesterday, Friday, Jan. 9, R. V. Harnett, by order of the Supreme Court in foreclosure, under the direction of L. L. Kellogg, Esq., referee, sold a three-story frame, with brick basement, house, with lot 18.9 by 99.11, situate on West One Hundred and Thirty-second street, south side, 250 feet east of Sixth avenue, for $2,900 over and above mortgage of $4,500, making the total price realized $7,400. The purchaser of the property was Robert I. Brown, plaintiff in the legal proceedings. The only other sale made was one by Wm. Kennelly, by order of the Department of Docks, of the frame building known as the United States Barge office, located on the pier at the foot of Whitehall street; sold to Thomas E. Tripler for $350. The legal sale of the house and lot, No. 218 Delancey street, by A. J. Bleecker, Son & White, was adjourned to the 14th inst., and the legal sale in charge of Mr. Kennelly, of a house and lot on East Sixteenth street, west of Avenue B, was adjourned to the 29th inst. No other business was transacted.

For to-day, no sales at the Exchange are announced, but at Jersey City, N. J., at the salesroom, No. 31 Montgomery street, at 2 o'clock, by order of the Court of Chancery, J. M. Gibson will sell at auction the two-story and basement brick house and lot, No. 313 Montgomery street, between Grove and Barrow streets.

At private contract, Peter Morris reports having recently sold four full lots on Fourth avenue, northwest corner of Sixty-fourth street, for $65,000.

EXCHANGE SALES, FRIDAY, JAN. 9.

NEW-YORK.

By R. V. Harnett.

1 2-story frame and brick basement h. and l. w. 132d st., s. s., 260 ft. e. of 6th av., lot 18.9x99.11 ..... $7,400

By Wm. Kennelly.

1 frame building, known as the United States Barge Office, on pier at foot of Whitehall st... $350

RECORDED REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

NEW-YORK.

Thursday, Jan. 8.

Bolton road, n. e. s., between Cummings' and S. Thompson's land, n. w. of Prescott av., 77.1x268.11x80x250.1; 10th av., s. e. corner of 168th st., (centre line of street,) 68.9x100.11x82.7x100; Kingsbridge road, s. s., 150 ft. e. of Academy st., 50x150; Kingsbridge road, w. s., 50x118.7 ..... $32,500

Grand st., n. s., 40.1 ft. e. of Lewis st., 20x100; Lewis st., e. s., 78.9 ft. n. of Grand st., 21.3x40.1 24,000

Prospect place, e. s., 83.9 ft s. of 43d st., 16.8x95 15,000

West 10th st., s. s., 136 ft. w. of Bleecker st., 21.6x95 10,000

14th st., s. s., 371 ft. e. of Avenue A., 50x103.3. 50,000

18th st., s. w. s., 400 ft. s. e. of 10th av., 25x92. 1,700

19th st., s. s., 225 ft. w. of 2d av., 8x75; 19th st., n. s., 231 ft. w. of 3d av., 30x92; 20th st., s. s., 156 ft. e. of Irving place, 30x92 65,000

41st st., s. s., 175 ft. e. of 8th av., 25x98.9 32,000

51st st., s. s., 383 ft. e. of 2d av., 20x100.5; 44th st., s. s., 100 ft. e. of 1st av., 50x100.5 22,000

58th st., n. s., 393 ft. e. of 6th av., 100x100.5 ...130,000

124th st., n. s., 90 ft. w. of 4th av., 25x100.11... 30,000

Grove st., w. s., 50 ft. s. of 1st st., 50x100, Morrisania 2,000

Opdyke av., s. w. corner 1st st., 177.3x100, Morrisania 1,320

7th av., n. e. corner 53d st., 25.11x77 20,000

8th av., s. w. corner 82d st., 102.2x100 110,000

10th av., w. s., 75.3 ft. s. of 46th st., 25.1x100. 6,500

10th av., w. s., 100 ft. n. of 100th st., thence w. to Broadway, thence n. along Broadway, 75x62.6x75 ½ part 6,000

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NATIONAL PROPERTY EXCHANGE.—FOR $1 we forward you lists of persons wishing to buy or sell, rent or exchange real or personal property of every description, no kind excepted. Instance: Have you lands or machinery for sale? On receipt of $1 we forward lists of persons wanting such property, and vice versa. We have established the cheapest system of exchange, available by all. Sacrifices are avoided, and a general dissemination of interests is the result. S. H. SOULE, Binghamton, N. Y.

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REAL ESTATE AT AUCTION.

ADRIAN J. BLEECKER, Auctioneer.

ELEGANT BROWN-STONE HOUSE AT Auction, between Madison and 4th avs.—A. J. BLEECKER, SON & WHITE, will sell at the sales-room, No. 111 Broadway, at 12 o'clock, on

THURSDAY, Jan. 15,

EAST TWENTY-NINTH STREET.—The four-story brownstone high-stoop house and lot, in fee, No. 47 East 29th st., on the north side, between 4th and Park avs. The lot is 20 feet by half the block; the house is 20 feet by about 53, with two-story brick extension 15 by 20. The house contains the modern improvements; possession of it can be had immediately.

The situation of this property is excellent, being between two railroad and omnibus lines of cars and stages.

The sale will be absolute.

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HOUSE AND LOT NO. 241 LEXINGTON AV., AT AUCTION.

Adrian H. Muller & Son will sell at auction, on TUESDAY, Jan. 13, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Sales-room, No. 111 Broadway:

LEXINGTON AV.—The four-story brown-stone-front house and lot situate on the easterly side of Lexington av., between 34th and 35th sts., and known as No. 241. House about 55 feet deep, and contains modern improvements. Lot 21 by 80 feet.

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OFFICES TO LET IN TIMES BUILDING.

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REAL ESTATE AT AUCTION.

ADRIAN H. MULLER & SON, AUCTIONEERS.

REAL ESTATE AT AUCTION.—ADRIAN H. Muller & Son will sell at auction, on THURSDAY, Jan. 15, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Sales-room, No. 111 Broadway:

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 75 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 100 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 175 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 175 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 200 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 200 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 225 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 225 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 250 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 250 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 275 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 275 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 300 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 300 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 325 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 325 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 350 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 350 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 375 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 375 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 400 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 400 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 425 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 425 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 450 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 450 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 475 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 475 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 500 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 500 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 525 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 525 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 550 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 550 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 575 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 575 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 600 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 600 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 625 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 625 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 650 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 650 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 675 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 675 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 700 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 700 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 725 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 725 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 750 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 750 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 775 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 775 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 800 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 800 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 825 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 825 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 850 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 850 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 875 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 875 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 900 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 900 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 925 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 925 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 950 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 950 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 975 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 975 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1000 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1000 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1025 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1025 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1050 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1050 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1075 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1075 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1100 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1100 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1125 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1125 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1150 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1150 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1175 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1175 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1200 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1200 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1225 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1225 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1250 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1250 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1275 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1275 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1300 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1300 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1325 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1325 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1350 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1350 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1375 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1375 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1400 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1400 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1425 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1425 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1450 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1450 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1475 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1475 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1500 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1500 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1525 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1525 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1550 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1550 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1575 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1575 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1600 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1600 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1625 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1625 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1650 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1650 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1675 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1675 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1700 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1700 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1725 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1725 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1750 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1750 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1775 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1775 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1800 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1800 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1825 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1825 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1850 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1850 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1875 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1875 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1900 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1900 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1925 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1925 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1950 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1950 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 1975 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 1975 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2000 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2000 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2025 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2025 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2050 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2050 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2075 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2075 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2100 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2100 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2125 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2125 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2150 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2150 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2175 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2175 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2200 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2200 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2225 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2225 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2250 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2250 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2275 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2275 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2300 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2300 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2325 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2325 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2350 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2350 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2375 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2375 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2400 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2400 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2425 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2425 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2450 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2450 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2475 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2475 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2500 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2500 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2525 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2525 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2550 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2550 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2575 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2575 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2600 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2600 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2625 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2625 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2650 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2650 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2675 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2675 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2700 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2700 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2725 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2725 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2750 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2750 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2775 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2775 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2800 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2800 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2825 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2825 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2850 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2850 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2875 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2875 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2900 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2900 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2925 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2925 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2950 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2950 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 2975 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 2975 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 3000 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 3000 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 3025 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 3025 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 3050 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 3050 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 3075 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 3075 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 3100 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 3100 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 3125 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 3125 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 3150 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 3150 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 3175 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 3175 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 3200 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 3200 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 3225 feet west of 10th av., 25x98.9.

LOT ON 10TH AV.—The lot on the west side of 10th av., 3225 feet south of 51st st., 25x100.

LOT ON 51ST ST.—The lot on the south side of 51st st., 3250

SHIPPING.

CUNARD LINE.

NOTICE.

With the view of diminishing the chances of collision, the steamers of this line will henceforth take a specified course for all seasons of the year.

On the outward passage from Queenstown to New-York or Boston crossing meridian of 50 at 42 latitude, or nothing to the north of 42.

On the homeward passage, crossing the meridian of 50 at 43 latitude, or nothing to the north of 42.

THE BRITISH AND NORTH AMERICAN ROYAL MAIL STEAM SHIPS, BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT CORK HARBOR.

FROM NEW-YORK.	FROM BOSTON.
Calabria...Wednesday, Jan. 7	Samaria, Saturday, Jan. 3
Algeria, Wednday, Jan. 14	Hecla, Saturday, Jan. 10
Russia, Wednday, Jan. 21	Olympus, Saturday, Jan. 17
Java, Wednesday, Jan. 28	Marathon, Saturday, Jan. 24
Abyssinia, Wed'y, Feb. 4	Parthia, Saturday, Jan. 31

And every following WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY from New-York. Steamers marked thus * do not carry steerage passengers. Cabin, $80, $100, and $130, gold, according to accommodation. Tickets to Paris, $15, gold, additional. Return tickets on favorable terms. Steerage, $30, currency. Steerage tickets from Liverpool and Queenstown and all parts of Europe at lowest rates. Through bills of lading given for Belfast, Glasgow, Havre, Antwerp, and other ports in the Continent, and for Mediterranean ports. For freight and cabin passage apply at the Company's office, No. 4 Bowling green. For steerage passage at No. 111 Broadway, Trinity Building.

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FOR QUEENSTOWN AND LIVERPOOL, CARRYING UNITED STATES MAIL.

NEW AND FULL-POWERED STEAM-SHIPS.

Sailing from New-York on SATURDAYS, from Liverpool on THURSDAYS, calling at Cork Harbor each way.

OCEANIC.....SATURDAY, Jan. 10, at 10 A. M.
REPUBLIC.....SATURDAY, Jan. 17, at 3 P. M.
ADRIATIC.....SATURDAY Jan. 24, at 10 A. M.
CELTIC.....SATURDAY, Jan. 31, at 3 P. M.

From White Star Dock, Pavonia Ferry, Jersey City.

Passenger accommodations (for all classes) unrivaled, combining

SAFETY, SPEED, AND COMFORT.

Saloon, State-rooms, Smoking-room and Bath-rooms in MIDSHIP section, where least motion is felt. Surgeons and stewardesses accompany these steamers.

Rates—Saloon, $80, gold; return tickets, $140, gold; steerage, $30, currency. Those wishing to send for friends from the old country can now obtain steerage prepaid certificates, $32, currency.

Passengers booked to or from all parts of America, to Paris, Hamburg, Norway, Sweden, India, Australia, China, &c.

Drafts from £1 upward.

For inspection of plans and other information apply at the Company's offices, No. 19 Broadway, New-York.

J. D. OWEN, Agent.

INMAN LINE FOR QUEENSTOWN AND LIVERPOOL.

Royal Mail Steamers are appointed to sail as follows:

CITY OF ANTWERP.....Saturday, Jan. 10, 11 A. M.
CITY OF BROOKLYN.....Saturday, Jan. 17, 2 P. M.
CITY OF BRUSSELS.....Saturday, Jan. 24, 10 A. M.
CITY OF MONTREAL.....Saturday, Jan. 31, 2 P. M.
CITY OF CHESTER.....Saturday, Feb. 7, 8 A. M.

and each succeeding SATURDAY and THURSDAY, from Pier No. 45 North River.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

CABIN, $70, $80, and $90, gold, according to accommodation. Steerage, $30, currency.

STEERAGE, to Liverpool, Queenstown, Glasgow, Londonderry, London, Bristol or Cardiff, $30. Prepaid certificates, $32, currency.

Passengers also forwarded to Havre, Hamburg, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, and Paris, at reduced rates.

Drafts issued at lowest rates.

For Cabin Passage and general business apply at the Company's office, No. 15 Broadway.

For Steerage Passage, at No. 33 Broadway, or Pier No. 45 North River. JOHN G. DALE, Agent.

O'DONNELL & FAULK,

No. 402 Chestnut st., Philadelphia.

M. S. CREAGH, No. 102 State st., Boston.
F. C. BROWN, No. 32 South Clark st., corner Lake st., Chicago.
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PACIFIC MAIL STEAM-SHIP LINE.

GREAT REDUCTION IN RATES OF FREIGHT AND PASSAGE.

The magnificent steam-ships of this line will leave Pier No. 42 North River, New-York, for Aspinwall, at 12 o'clock noon, as follows:

Jan. 17—CITY OF PANAMA, (new,) Capt. —, for freight only.
Jan. 23—ACAPULCO, Capt. GRAY, for passengers and freight.
Feb. 7—RISING STAR, Capt. JONES, for freight only.
Feb. 11—COLON, Capt. W. HUDSON, for passengers and freight.

Connecting at Panama with the large and splendid steam-ships of this Line for San Francisco, and also connecting at the Isthmus with steamers for Central American and South Pacific ports.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

New-York to San Francisco, cabin, $100, or $110, currency, according to location.

New-York to San Francisco, steerage, $50, currency.

Steamers of this line for Japan and China leave San Francisco on the 1st of every month.

For freight and passage, or other information, apply at the Company's office, Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Canal st., New-York. H. J. BULLAY,

RUFUS HATCH, Superintendent.
Vice President and Managing Director.

NATIONAL LINE.

NOTICE.—This Company takes the risk of insurance (up to $500,000 in gold) on each of its steamers, thus giving passengers the best possible guarantee for safety and avoidance of danger at sea.

The most southerly route has *always* been adopted by this company to avoid ice and headlands.

Pier Nos. 44 and 47 North River.

TO QUEENSTOWN AND LIVERPOOL.

Canada, Sat., Jan. 10, 10 A. M. | Greece, Sat., Jan. 24, 10 A. M.
Egypt, Sat., Jan. 17, 3 P. M. | Italy, Sat., Jan. 31, 3 P. M.

FORTNIGHTLY TO LONDON DIRECT.

DENMARK, SUMNER.....

Cabin passage, $70 and $80, currency. Steerage, $29, currency. Steerage tickets at reduced rates. Prepaid steerage tickets from Liverpool at the lowest rates. Apply at the company's office, No. 69 Broadway.

F. W. J. HURST, Manager.

ONLY DIRECT LINE TO FRANCE.

THE GENERAL TRANSATLANTIC COMPANY'S MAIL STEAM-SHIPS BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND HAVRE, CALLING AT BREST.

The splendid vessels on this favorite route for the Continent will sail from Pier No. 50 North River as follows:

ST. LAURENT.....LACHENEZ. Saturday, Jan. 10
PEREIRE.....SAUNIER DUVAL.....Saturday, Jan. 24
AMERIQUE.....KOUSSAN.....Saturday, Feb. 7
EUROPE.....LEMARIE.....Saturday, Feb. 21

PRICE OF PASSAGE IN GOLD (including wine) TO BREST OR HAVRE.

First cabin.....$125 | Second cabin.....$75

Excursion tickets at reduced rates.

American travelers going to, or returning from, the Continent of Europe, by taking this line, avoid both transit by English railway and the discomforts of crossing the Channel, besides saving time, trouble, and expense.

GEORGE MACKENZIE, Agent,
No. 58 Broadway.

STEAMER ST. LAURENT, FOR BREST AND Havre, will leave Pier No. 50, North River, foot of Morton st., on SATURDAY, Jan. 10, at 10 o'clock. Passengers are requested to be on board at 9 o'clock.

GEORGE MACKENZIE, Agent.

FOR LIVERPOOL,

(VIA QUEENSTOWN,)
CARRYING THE UNITED STATES MAILS.

THE LIVERPOOL AND GREAT WESTERN STEAM COMPANY will dispatch one of their first-class full-power iron screw steam-ships from

PIER NO. 46 NORTH RIVER, EVERY TUESDAY, as follows:

NEVADA, Capt. FORSTER.....Jan. 13, 1:30 P. M.
WYOMING, Capt. GUARD.....Jan. 20, 7:15 P. M.
MANHATTAN, Capt. PRICE.....Jan. 27, 1:30 A. M.
IDAHO, Capt. MOORE.....Feb. 3, 7 A. M.
MINNESOTA, Capt. BREDDON.....Feb. 10, 1:30 P. M.
WISCONSIN, Capt. FREEMAN.....Jan. 17,

Cabin passage, $80, gold.

Steerage passage, (Office No. 29 Broadway,) $30, currency.

For freight or cabin passage apply to
WILLIAMS & GUION, No. 63 Wall st.

ATLAS MAIL LINE.

BI-MONTHLY SERVICE TO HAYTI, VENEZUELA, CURACOA, MARACAIBO, JAMAICA, AND COLOMBIA.

First-class full-powered English-built iron screw steamers, from Pier 12 North River.

For HAYTI, CURACOA, VENEZUELA, and PORTO RICO.
CLARIBEL.....Jan. 30.
CORINTH.....Feb. 20.

For JAMAICA AND COLOMBIA.
ETNA.....Jan. 13.
ATLAS.....Jan. 30.

First-class passenger accommodation.

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First cabin passage to St. Thomas, $100; to Para, $150; to Pernambuco, $200; to Bahia, $210, and to Rio de Janeiro, $225, gold. Steerage half price. EXCURSION TICKETS, good for six months, at three quarters of above rates.

Freights greatly reduced.

Apply to WM. R. GARRISON,
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NEW-YORK AND HAVANA DIRECT MAIL LINE.

These first-class steam-ships will sail every TUESDAY, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 13 North River, (foot of Cedar st.,) for Havana direct, as follows:

Steam-ship CRESCENT CITY, CURTIS, Jan. 13.
Steam-ship HUNTINGTON, HOLMES, Jan. 20.
Steam-ship MORRO CASTLE, MORRIS, Jan. 27.

For freight or passage (having magnificent accommodations) apply to WM. P. CLYDE & CO.,
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D. MCKELLAR, Agent in Havana.
March 31, 1873.

FOR HAVANA.

NASSAU, PROGRESO, AND VERA CRUZ.
New-York and Mexican Mail Steam-ship Line.

Leaving Pier No. 3 North River, at 3 P. M.

CLEOPATRA, (Havana and Nassau).....Jan. 10
CITY OF MERIDA, (Havana via Nassau).....Jan. 15
CUBA, (Havana direct).....Jan. 17
CITY OF HAVANA, (Havana direct).....Jan. 22
CITY OF NEW-YORK, (Havana direct).....Jan. 29

For freight or passage apply to
F. ALEXANDRE & SONS, No. 33 Broadway.

FOR NASSAU, N. P.,

STEAM-SHIP CITY OF MERIDA
Will leave Pier No. 3 North River, Jan. 15, at 3 P. M.
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Drafts available in all parts of England and Ireland, and passage tickets by steam-ship or sailing packet, issued at lowest rates.

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THE FLORIDA PORTS,
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GREAT SOUTHERN FREIGHT AND PASSENGER LINE.

CENTRAL RAILROAD OF GEORGIA, AND ATLANTIC AND GULF RAILROAD.

TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS, AND SATURDAYS.

THE STEAM-SHIPS

SAN JACINTO, Capt. HAZARD, SATURDAY, Jan. 10, from Pier No. 43 North River, at 3 P. M.
WM. R. GARRISON, Agent,
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HUNTSVILLE, Capt. CROWELL, SATURDAY, Jan. 10, from Pier No. 13 North River, at 3 P. M.
R. LOWDEN, Agent,
No. 93 West st.

VIRGO, Capt. BULKLEY, TUESDAY, Jan. 13, from Pier No. 16 East River at 3 P. M.
MURRAY, FERRIS & CO., Agents,
No. 62 South st.

GENERAL BARNES, Capt. CHESEBROUGH, THURSDAY, Jan. 15, from Pier No. 43 North River, at 3 P. M.
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Insurance by this line ONE-HALF PER CENT.
Superior accommodations for passengers.
Through rates and bills of lading, in connection with Central Railroad of Georgia, to all points.
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FOR CHARLESTON, S. C.,
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AND THE
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SAILING TUESDAY, THURSDAY AND SATURDAY from Pier No. 29 North River.

CHARLESTON, Capt. JAMES BERRY, Saturday, Jan. 10.
JAMES ADGER, Capt. T. I. LOCKWOOD, Tuesday, Jan. 13.
GEORGIA, Capt. S. CROWELL, Thursday, Jan. 15.

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Goods forwarded free of commission.

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Steamers sail from Pier No. 20 North River, foot of Day st.,

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Passengers booked at lowest rates to and from Glasgow, Liverpool, Londonderry, London, Belfast, Paris, Hamburg, Bremen, &c. Company's office, No. 7 Bowling green, New-York. HENDERSON BROTHERS, Agents.

SAMANA BAY COMPANY.

For Puerta Plata, Samana, and San Domingo City, the United States Mail steam-ship Tybee, Capt. Delanoy, will leave Pier No. 3 North River, with dispatch. Bills of Exchange on Puerta Plata, Samana, and San Domingo City, in sums to suit purchasers, for sale. For freight or passage apply to SPOFFORD BROTHERS & CO., No. 29 Broadway.

LOST AND FOUND.

$3 REWARD.—STRAYED OR STOLEN FROM NO. 33 West 49th st., on Thursday morning, a black and tan DOG, with a ribbon for a collar; answers to the name of "Tip."

RAILROADS.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD,

THE GREAT TRUNK LINE AND UNITED STATES MAIL ROUTE.

Trains leave New-York, from foot of Desbrosses and Cortlandt sts., as follows:

Express for Harrisburg, Pittsburg, the West and South, with Pullman palace cars attached, 9:30 A. M., 5 and 8:30 P. M. Sunday, 5 and 8:30 P. M.

For Baltimore, Washington, and the South, at 8:40 A. M., 3 and 9 P. M. Sunday, 9 P. M.

Express for Philadelphia, 8:40, 9:30, A. M., 12:30, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8:30, 9 P. M., and 12 night. Sunday 9:30, 10, 8:30, and 9 P. M. Emigrant and second class, 7 P. M.

For Trenton at 7:20 A. M., 2, 3, 10, and 6:10 P. M. Sunday 6:10 P. M.

For Newark at 6:30, 7:20, 7:40, 8, 9, 10, 11 A. M., 12 P. M., 1, 2, 2:30, 3:10, 3:40, 4:10, 4:30, 5, 5:20, 5:40, 6, 6:10, 6:30, 7, 7:30, 8:10, 10, 11:30 P. M., and 12 night. Sunday 6:30, 8:20, 6:10, and 8:10 P. M.

For Elizabeth, 6, 6:30, 7:20, 7:40, 8, 9, 10, 11 A. M., 12 M., 1, 2, 2:30, 3:10, 3:40, 4:10, 4:30, 5:20, 5:40, 6, 6:10, 6:30, 7:30, 8:10, 10, 11:30 P. M., and 12 night. Sunday 5:20, 6:10, and 8:10 P. M.

For Rahway, 6, 6:30, 7:20, 8, 10 A. M., 12 M., 1, 2, 2:30, 3:10, 3:40, 4:10, 4:30, 5:20, 5:40, 6, 6:10, 6:30, 8:10, 10 P. M., and 12 night. Sunday 5:20 and 6:10 P. M.

For Woodbridge, Perth Amboy, and South Amboy, 6 and 10 A. M., 2:30, 4:10, and 6 P. M.

For New-Brunswick, 7:20 and 8 A. M., 12 M., 2, 3:10, 4:30, 5:20, 6:10, 7, P. M., and 12 night. Sunday 6:10 P. M.

For East Millstone, 8 A. M., 12 noon, and 4:30 P. M.

For Lambertville and Flemington, 9:30 A. M. and 3 P. M.

For Philipsburg and Belvidere, 3 and 4 P. M.

Accommodation for Bordentown, Burlington, and Camden, 7:20 and 9:30 A. M., 12:30, 2, 3:10, 4, and 6:10 P. M.

For Freehold, 7:20 A. M., 2 and 4 P. M.

For Farmingdale and Squan, 7:20 A. M. and 2 P. M.

For Pemberton and Camden, 6 A. M. and 2:30 P. M.

Trains arrive as follows: From Pittsburg, 6:50 A. M., 12:30 and 10:50 P. M., daily; 11:55 A. M. daily, except Monday. From Washington and Baltimore, 6:05 A. M., 5:15 and 10:27 P. M. Sunday 6:05 A. M. and 10:27 P. M. From Philadelphia, 5:22, 6:05, 6:50, 10:15, 11:55 A. M., 12:15, 6:05, 8:44, 10:27 P. M. Sunday 5:22, 6:05, 6:50, 11:55 A. M. and 10:27 P. M.

Ticket-offices, Nos. 526, 435, 271, and 944 Broadway, No. 4 Astor House, and foot of Desbrosses and Cortlandt sts. Emigrant Ticket-office, No. 8 Battery place.

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WINTER ARRANGEMENT.

Commencing Dec. 1, 1873.—Leave New-York as follows:

5:15 A. M.—News Train for Easton, Bethlehem, Bath, Allentown, Mauch Chunk, Tamaqua, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

6 A. M.—Way Train for Plainfield.

7 A. M.—Way Train for Flemington, Easton, Belvidere, Mauch Chunk, Wilkesbarre, Pittston, Mahanoy City, Mount Carmel, Hazleton, Tunkhannock, Towanda, Waverly, &c. Connects at Junction with Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad.

9 A. M.—Morning Express, daily, (except Sundays,) for Easton, Allentown, Harrisburg, and the West. Connects at Somerville for Flemington, at Easton for Mauch Chunk, Tamaqua, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c., with through cars to Danville, Williamsport, &c.

10:30 A. M.—Way Train for Somerville.

12:40 P. M.—Express for Flemington, Easton, Bath, Allentown, Mauch Chunk, Mahanoy City, Hazleton, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, Reading, Columbia, Lancaster, Ephrata, Pottsville, Harrisburg, &c.

2:30 P. M.—Way train for Easton, Allentown, and Belvidere.

3:30 P. M.—Way train for Plainfield.

4 P. M.—Way train for Easton, Allentown, and Mauch Chunk. Connects at Junction with Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad.

4:30 P. M.—Way train for Somerville and Flemington.

5 P. M.—Way train for Somerville.

5:15 P. M.—Way train for Plainfield.

5:30 P. M.—Evening Express, daily, for Easton, Belvidere, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Pittsburg, Chicago, &c.

6 P. M.—Way train for Somerville.

6:40 P. M.—For Plainfield.

7:30 P. M.—(Emigrant)—For Easton.

9:15 P. M.—Way train for Somerville.

11:45 P. M.—For Plainfield.

For Elizabeth at 5:15, 6, 6:20, 6:40, 7, 7:30, 8, 8:45, 9, 9:30, 10:30, 11:15 A. M., 12 M., 12:40, 1, 2, 2:30, 3, 3:30, 3:45, 4, 4:30, 4:40, 5, 5:15, 5:30, 5:45, 6, 6:20, 6:40, 7:15, 7:30, 8:15, 9:15, 10:30, 11:45 P. M.

R. E. RICKER, Superintendent and Engineer.
H. P. BALDWIN, General Passenger Agent.

NEW-YORK, NEW-HAVEN, AND HARTFORD RAILROAD.

NEW-YORK AND NEW-HAVEN DIVISION.

WINTER ARRANGEMENT,
COMMENCING NOV. 17, 1873.

Passenger Station in New-York, Grand Central Depot, Fourth-ave. and 42d st.

TRAINS LEAVE NEW-YORK.

Trains for New-Haven leave at 7:05, (accommodation,) 8:05, (express,) 9:05, (accommodation,) 10 A. M., (express,) 12 N., (accommodation,) 1, (express,) 3, (express,) 3:55, (accommodation,) 4:38, and 5:10, (local express,) 8:10, (express,) and 9:10, (express,) P. M.

For South Norwalk 7:05, 8:05, 9:05 A. M., 12 M., 1, (express,) 3, 3:55, 4:38, 5:10, 6:35, 8:10, 9:10 P. M. For Stamford 7:10, 8:05, 9:05, 10:10 A. M., 12 M., 1, 2:23 and 3, (express,) 3:55, 4:38, 4,45, 5:10, 5:40, 6:35, 7:20, 8:10, 9:10 P. M.

For Port Chester 11:40 P. M.

Boston Express, via Springfield, at 8:05 and 10 A. M., 3 and 8:10 P. M., via Shore Line, at 1 and 9:10 P. M. The 8:05 A. M., 1, 3 and 8:10, and 9:10 P. M., stopping at Stamford, Norwalk, and Bridgeport. The 8:05 A. M. and 1 P. M. connects with trains on Shore Line Division for Norwich and Providence, and the Connecticut Valley at Saybrook. The 8:05 A. M. and 3 P. M. connect with New-Haven and Northampton Railroad at New-Haven; 8:05, 10 A. M., and 12 noon trains connect with Connecticut River Railroad at Springfield, and 3 P. M. for Montreal. The 8:05 A. M., 1, and 3 P. M. connects with Naugatuck Railroad, and the 8:05 A. M., 3 P. M. with Housatonic Railroad at Bridgeport. The 8:05 and 9:05 A. M., and 3 and 4:38 P. M. with Danbury and Norwalk at South Norwalk, and the 8:05 A. M., 1, and 5:10 P. M. with New-Canaan Railroad at Stamford.

Sunday Boston mail trains at 7 P. M., via Springfield at 8:10 P. M., via Providence.

Drawing-room cars on day express and sleeping cars on night express trains.

Tickets can be purchased at ticket office of company at Grand Central Depot, or at offices of New-York Transfer Company, No. 944 Broadway, and Windsor House, New-York, and No. 1 Court st., Brooklyn, who will also check baggage from residence to destination.

For further information of particulars see posters at hotels and depot. JOHN T. MOODY,
Superintendent of New-York Division.

E. M. REED, General Superintendent, New-Haven.

NEW-YORK CENTRAL AND HUDSON RIVER RAILROAD.

—After Nov. 2, 1873, through trains will leave Grand Central Depot:

8:00 A. M., Chicago and Northern Express, with drawing-room cars through to Rochester and St Albans.

10:30 A. M., special Chicago Express, with drawing-room cars to Rochester, Buffalo, &c.

10:45 A. M., Northern and Western Express.

3:40 P. M., Albany and Troy Express, Saturday only.

4:00 P. M., Montreal Express, with sleeping cars for New-York to St. Albans.

6:00 P. M., Express, daily, with sleeping cars for Watertown and Canandaigua.

8:00 P. M., Pacific Express, daily, with sleeping cars for Rochester, Buffalo, and Niagara Falls; also for Chicago, via Clyde and M. C. Railroads.

11:00 P. M., Express, with sleeping cars for Troy and Albany. Way trains as per Local Time Table.

O. H. KELDERCO, General Passenger Agent.

RAILROADS.

SOUTH-SIDE RAILROAD.

NOTICE.

On and after Dec. 1, 1873, trains will leave South 8th st., Brooklyn, as follows, Sundays excepted:

For Patchogue, and intermediate stations, at 9:30 A. M. and 4 P. M.

For Islip, and intermediate stations, at 9:30 A. M., and 4 and 5 P. M.

For Babylon, and intermediate stations, at 9:30 A. M., and 3:30, 4, 5, and 6 P. M.

For Merrick, and intermediate stations, at 9:30 A. M., and 3:30, 5, 6, and 7 P. M.

For Hempstead, Rockaway, and intermediate stations, at 9:30 A. M., and 4, 5, and 6 P. M.

Sunday trains leave Bushwick for Islip at 9 A. M.

GEO. F. CARMAN, Superintendent.

STEAMBOATS.

HARTFORD BOATS—DAILY LINE.—LEAVE

Pier No. 24 Peck-slip, East River, daily, (except Sundays,) at 3 o'clock P. M. All persons are forbid trusting any one on account of these steamers.

W. H. GOODSPEED, Vice President.

SIFTON & SEABURY, Freight Agents, No. 112 South st.

JUNE 1, 1873.

FOR BRIDGEPORT AND ALL POINTS ON Housatonic and Naugatuck Railroad.—Fare, $1. Steamers leave Catharine-slip at 12 noon.

NEW-HAVEN, HARTFORD, AND THE NORTH.—Steamers leave Peck-slip for New-Haven at 3:15 and 11 P. M., (except Sundays,) connecting with road.

BANKRUPT NOTICES.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE—THAT ON THE 19th day of December, A. D. 1874, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued against the estate of CHARLES A. WRITMORS, of New-York City, in the County of New-York and State of New-York, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt, to him or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt, to prove their debts and to choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at No. 7 Beekman street, New-York City, before Mr. James F. Dwight, Register, on the 21st day of January, A. D. 1874, at 1 o'clock P. M. That said meeting was adjourned from the 9th day of January, 1874. OLIVER FISKE,
United States Marshal, as Messenger,
Southern District of New-York.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE—THAT ON THE 20th day of December, A. D. 1873, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued against the estate of CLIFTON BOLTON and HENRY C. BOLTON, of New-York, in the County of New-York and State of New-York, who have been adjudged bankrupts on their own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupts, to them or either of them, or for their use or the use of either of them, and the transfer of any property by them or either of them are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupts to prove their debts, and to chose one or more assignees of their estate, and of the estate of each of them, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at No. 152 Broadway, in the City of New-York, before Mr. Henry Wilder Allen, Register, on the 9th day of February, 1874, at 10 o'clock M.

OLIVER FISKE, United States Marshal,
as Messenger, Southern District of New-York.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE—THAT ON THE 8th day of January, A. D. 1874, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued against the estate of LEWIS H. REDFIELD, of New-York City, in the County of New-York, and State of New-York, who has been adjudged a bankrupt, on his own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt to him, or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him, are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt to prove their debts, and to choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at No. 345 Broadway, in the City of New-York, before John Fitch, Register, on the 21st day of January, A. D. 1874, at 2 o'clock P. M. OLIVER FISKE,
United States Marshal, as Messenger, Southern District of New-York.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of AUGUST MAY and AARON BERWIN, bankrupts.—In Bankruptcy.—This is to give notice that the third and final general meeting of creditors of the above-named bankrupts will be held at No. 4 Warren street, in the City of New-York, in said district, on the 23d day of January, 1874, at 11 o'clock A. M., at the office of, and before, Edwin T. Wilson, Esq., the Register in Bankruptcy in charge of the above-entitled matter, for the purposes mentioned in the twenty-eighth section of the Bankrupt act of March 2, 1867; that I have filed my final account as assignee of the estate of said bankrupts with the said Register, and that at said meeting I shall apply to the court for a settlement of my said account, and for a discharge from all liability as assignee aforesaid, in accordance with the provisions of the said twenty-eighth section.—Dated this 9th day of January, 1874. CHRISTIAN F. A. DAMBMANN, Assignee,
No. 81 Franklin street, New-York City.

DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of WILLIAM H. DECKER, bankrupt.—In Bankruptcy.—A warrant in bankruptcy has been issued by said court against the estate of William H. Decker, of the County of New-York, and State of New-York, in said district, adjudged a bankrupt upon the petition of his creditors, and the payment of any debts and the delivery of any property belonging to said bankrupt, to him or to his use, and the transfer of any property by him are forbidden by law. A meeting of the creditors of said bankrupt, to prove their debts and choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at No. 322 Broadway, in the City of New-York, in said district, on the 21st day of January, A. D. 1874, at 12 o'clock M., at the office of the Register's office, No. 131 South Fifth street, Philadelphia, at which time and place any person interested may show cause why the prayer of said petition should not be granted. J. MASON, Register in Bankruptcy.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, Southern District of New-York.—In Bankruptcy.—Southern District of New-York, ss.: At the City of New-York, the 13th day of September, 1873. The undersigned hereby gives notice of his appointment as assignee of JOHN J. RICKMAN, bankrupt, of the City and County of New-York, in the State of New-York, within said district, who has been adjudged a bankrupt upon a creditor's petition by the District Court of said district. JOSIAH D. PLATT, Assignee,
No. 40 Wall street, New-York.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT.—Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of ISAAC TEBRICH, bankrupt.—In pursuance of an order of the court in the above entitled matter to me directed and delivered, I will sell at public auction, the personal property of the said Isaac Tebrich, bankrupt, consisting of a stock of cigars, fixtures, &c., at the store, No. 561 Broadway, at 12 o'clock M., on Saturday, Jan. 10, by Burdett & Dennis, Auctioneers.—Dated Jan. 7, 1874. OLIVER FISKE,
United States Marshal, Southern District of New-York.

METALS.

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TIN-PLATE, SHEET-IRON, COPPER, BLOCK-TIN, WIRE, &c.,

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MARBLE AND MARBLEIZED MANTELS and tiling, wainscoting, counters, furniture slabs, &c. Slabs for plumbers a specialty. Improved diamond-cutting machine in operation at S. KLABER & CO.'S Steam Marble Works, Nos. 217 to 223 West 51st st., between Broadway and 3d av.

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Rooms, en suite for families, handsomely furnished. The cuisine unsurpassed; baths and superior laundry. Single rooms, with board, $21 to $25 per week. The hotel has recently been enlarged and refurnished at great expense, making it, altogether, a desirable and beautiful home. LEWIS & GEO. S. LELAND, Proprietors.

MRS. CROMMELIN,
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Offers a suite of handsomely-furnished rooms, with board. References exchanged.

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A gentleman and wife, and gentleman or small family can have rooms and board at the above address; reference.

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IRVING PLACE (No. 86,) OPPOSITE GRAMERCY Park; handsome rooms, en suite or single, with board; reference.

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NO. 4 EAST 29TH ST., BETWEEN 5TH AND Madison avs.—Handsome parlor floor, singly or en suite, with or without private table.

ELEGANT SECOND FLOOR, EN SUITE OR Separately; board and private table; also front hall room, (sunny.) No. 33 West

FATE OF JACOB MECCHIA.

HIS EXECUTION FOR THE MURDER OF MARSHAL STEVENSON.

Jacob Mecchia, a Russian-Fin sailor, expiated on the gallows at Hudson City, N. J., yesterday morning, the barbarous murder of Deputy United States Marshal John Stevenson, of Eleventh street, in this City, on the evening of the 11th of July last. A more cold-blooded and unprovoked murder was never committed. Commissioner Stillwell, of this City at the complaint of the Russian Consul, issued a warrant for the arrest of a Russian sailor named John Prilt, on a charge of desertion. This warrant was placed in the hands of Stevenson to serve, and he learned that Prilt was at Williamson's sailor boarding-house, No. 147 Cherry street. He went there and found that Prilt had fled. He was then assaulted by Williamson and Mecchia, and had both arrested. Mecchia promised in the event of his release to identify Prilt for Stevenson, who had by that time learned that the fugitive was concealed in New-Jersey. He brought Mecchia to Jersey City, and, while going to Commissioner Muirhead's office, Mecchia suddenly turned on him and stabbed him in the back, cutting through to his heart, and killing him instantly. Stevenson fell dead on the sidewalk, and Mecchia fled to the Cunard dock in Jersey City, where he was arrested by Officer Browe, and locked up in the First Precinct Station-house. He made a feeble attempt at suicide by cutting his throat. This pretense, however, failed to accomplish the desired object. Mecchia was promptly brought to trial, convicted, and sentenced to execution by Judge Bedle in Jersey City. He evinced a desire to discard his counsel, and carry his case by his own pretended insanity. When he was convicted, his counsel carried the case up to the Court of Pardons, and Gov. Parker granted a respite in order that a commission of inquiry might be instituted regarding Mecchia's sanity. The Court of Pardons, however, decided that Mecchia was perfectly sane, and he was condemned to die yesterday. During his imprisonment Mecchia speedily showed all who came in contact with him that he was a perfect brute, utterly devoid of all human feeling. He threw his dinner over the keepers and assaulted the jailer. When clergymen came to pray with him, he cursed and abused them in the vilest terms. Mrs. Jones, the jailer's wife, and her sister, an estimable young lady, endeavored to solace the ruffian's hours by attending to his wants, and supplying him with delicacies. In return for their kindness, he drove them out of his presence by abusive epithets and obscene language. From the time when the Court of Pardons finally decided his fate up to twenty-four hours before his execution, he was utterly unapproachable by either keepers or clergymen. At the former he threw dishes and plates and cups; for the latter he had nothing but blackguardism and obscenity. But this spirit of innate ruffianism lessened as he drew near his death. From calling his brother vile names, he addressed him by name, and he even suffered the keepers to come to his cell door without throwing water on them. At 8 o'clock on Thursday evening he ate a hearty supper, and, lying down on his pallet bed, began smoking cigars. He went to sleep at 10 o'clock. His sleep was an unsound one; every hour or so he would wake up and call aloud in Russian for his mother. At 6 o'clock yesterday morning he woke up from his last sleep on earth. When he got up a keeper came to his door and asked him how he felt. He answered, "Go away." Then he walked up and down for a while, and finally on being allowed to leave his cell, went to the water-tank in the corridor and washed himself. A new suit of black clothes had been sent him by Mrs. Jones, and he dressed himself with care. A barber named Shepherd came to the prison and shaved him. He smoked cigars all the time. When Rev. Mr. Rice, of Jersey City, and Rev. Mr. Hedstrom, of the Floating Chapel, came to see him on many occasions, he had driven both clergymen away by his hardened behavior. They prayed and begged him to join with them in prayer. But Mecchia walked up and down the corridor, never even looking at them, and cursing their kind attentions. By this time the preparations for the execution were nigh completed. The gallows, an exact imitation of the one used in this City, had been erected in the corner of the small jail yard. The yard was rapidly filled with Deputy Sheriffs and officials of the county. Four companies of two New-Jersey regiments had been ordered on duty and surrounded the jail building. The Deputy Sheriffs formed a line around the gallows, and the spectators fell in behind them. The reporters were given a place on the shed of the jail building which overlooked the jail yard. The weight to the gallows rope, which weighed about 250 pounds, was tried by Bernstien the man who executed Foster in this City, and who superintended all the arrangements at the execution yesterday. All preparations having been completed the condemned man was brought into the yard at exactly 2:24 o'clock. He came to his death like the ruffian that he was. A cigar between his lips, swaying from side to side between the two Deputy Sheriffs who supported his fastened arms, he slouched along to the foot of the gallows. Low-sized, stoutly built, with broad shoulders, and muscular arms, he was fairly the strongest man of the group gathered around him. His face, of a dark, Oriental character, had grown pale, and the light mustache he wore showed out in great prominence. Sheriff John Reinhardt, whose official action during the entire affair is deserving of the highest commendation, was by his side. The executioner fastened the rope round his neck, and rose the iron steel-ring into the swivel at the end of the main rope. Mecchia, without removing the stump of the cigar from his mouth, said: "You, not going to hang me, fool." Then, in a voice of entreaty, he cried: "Don't hang me—don't hang." Rev. Mr. Hedstrom said a short prayer, and Sheriff Reinhardt turned to Mecchia, shook him by the hand, and said "Good-bye." Mecchia at that moment realized that he was to be hanged. He had entertained an idea that he was to be shot, as from his cell window he had seen the Militia with their muskets around the Court-house. When the Sheriff told him "good-bye," he gave a terrible look of horrified fury and said: "You hang me; you hang." He had the stump of the cigar in his mouth, and the Sheriff took it from him and threw it on the ground. Then the Sheriff rapidly pulled the black cap over Mecchia's eyes, and, seizing the hatchet, cut the drop rope. Mecchia was jerked up into the air, and his neck broken. In two minutes the Sheriffs began to lower him, when the reeving of the neck-noose gave way, and Mecchia's body fell on the ground. He was already dead, but a new noose was substituted, and the culprit's body again drawn up. There was hardly any struggle, and it was quite evident that he had died easily. County Physician Buck and Police Surgeon Birt made an examination of the body, after which it was surrendered to Mr. and Mrs. Norton, of No. 20 James street, with whom Mecchia had resided. Beyond this there was nothing about the execution of the convict to call for any notice.

THE KELSEY MYSTERY.

Those people who have regarded the Kelsey case as having been definitely set at rest by the card of Mr. Sanford Brown, of Huntington, which recently appeared in the New-York papers, must have their faith in the general truthfulness of the human family considerably shaken by the developments of the past few days—the conclusion of which is not yet. Mr. Sanford Brown insists in his card, and expresses his willingness to undergo the ordeal of an oath, that he positively saw Mr. Charles G. Kelsey in Duane street, in this City, sometime in October last. Mr. Sanford Brown's reliability in this instance appears to have been brought in serious question. Three detectives in the employ of the State authorities have been sojourning in Huntington, the scene of the supposed murder, for some weeks past, and they have, it is understood, secured undoubted evidence that Kelsey was brutally murdered after being tarred and feathered. Kelsey's two brothers, who have been working diligently with the detectives, and who have, of course, given them all the information in their power to impart, yesterday stated to a reporter that the evidence already secured, when brought out upon the trial of the Sammises in April next, will not only astonish the community, but establish the guilt of more than one person who may now consider himself secure. It is also intimated that upon the trial of Sammis, important testimony for the prosecution will be given by the Captain of the yawl-boat, which, it is alleged, was used on the night of Kelsey's disappearance. These facts, and others which have come to the knowledge of the authorities, lead to the conclusion that the Kelsey case is much more serious than many persons would care to admit.

FATAL ACCIDENT IN JERSEY CITY.

At about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon two little lads lost their lives in Jersey City, under peculiarly distressing circumstances. On Railroad avenue, between Monmouth and Brunswick streets, stood an unoccupied two-story frame building. It had been tenanted up to a short time ago by a widow named Katy Dolan, and a man Brennan, who she represents as her husband. They considered the building unsafe for habitation, owing to its decay from age, and some weeks since they moved out of it into safer quarters. Since that time it has been the play ground of the little children who live in the neighborhood. Mr. Mcarns, the owner of the building adjoining it, fearing that it would fall against his building, braced it up some months since, and has frequently complained to the city authorities of its unsafe condition No notice, however, was taken of his complaints, and the building has been allowed to stand.

A contractor named John Smith, who is doing some building at present in that part of Jersey City known as Lafayette, appeared upon the premises with a gang of laborers a few days ago, and commenced digging away the earth around the foundations of the structure. He succeeded in making a large excavation on the rear wall of the building, and this seems to have been the immediate cause of its falling. Yesterday afternoon the party of four little lads named James Gallagher, James Hussey, Patrick Mearns, and Peter Flannagan, were playing on the lower floor of the building. The moment they heard the cracking of the timbers, the little fellows, satisfied that the house was about to fall, ran in different directions to escape from it. Patrick Mearns fled to the rear of the building, and was protected from serious harm by the arching of two of the falling timbers over his head. Flannagan and Hussey endeavored to escape through the front door. The timbers fell toward the rear of the lot, in the direction of the excavations made by Smith, and Flannagan and Hussey were struck by them and buried in the ruins. A force of men were soon engaged in removing the débris. The boy Mearns was taken out alive and not much the worse for his injuries. The bodies of Flannagan and Hussey were both lifeless when taken out. There are no marks upon Flannagan's body, save a few little scratches on the face, and it is probable that his death resulted from suffocation. Hussey's back was, on examination, found to be broken. The boys lived in the house of Mr. Mearns, adjoining the fallen building, and none of them was over seven years of age.

FINANCIAL INTERESTS.

In the early part of yesterday stocks were depressed in consequence of the absurd reports which prevailed on the previous afternoon, but after 11 o'clock there was a sharp advance founded upon the Treasury statements to the effect that $1,150,000 of legal tenders had been put into circulation during the day. There was an immense speculation in Western Union, which advanced to 79½, but closed at 78⅞. The entire market was buoyant, and the advance in the case of all stocks was well sustained.

The sale of the contract of Geo. McGrath, one of the members of the Produce Exchange, occasioned some excitement yesterday. He failed to respond to a call of one-half per cent. margin on a contract for lard to be delivered in February. The purchaser agreed to pay five sixteenths, it being sold at that margin.

The dealers in naval stores will meet the Committee on Trade of the Exchange on Saturday to settle the matter as to who are the recognized dealers in this trade. The Committee on National Finance will report to the Board of Managers of the Produce Exchange on Monday. The report of the Executive Committee of Western Union, which is now being prepared, is looked for with great interest by the street, and the following circular has been prepared for signatures. It is being circulated in all quarters where it will be of interest.

The undersigned, holders of stock in said company, many of us as permanent investors, beg respectfully to state:

That the surplus of said company, as appears by President Orton's annual report of June 30, 1873, (including $7,852,200 of the stock of the company held as an asset,) amounts to upward of $16,000,000; that this surplus has been increased by the net earnings since June, and that at the present time it amounts to fully fifty per cent. on the outstanding stock of the $35,775,175.

And we further state that the whole of this large surplus has arisen from the net earnings of the company, under the implied assurance that at the proper time, in some form, it should be divided among the stockholders.

The undersigned believe the time has now arrived when it is safe to make this division, and understanding the subject has been referred to the Executive Committee, and is now under advisement by them, we beg leave to suggest the following as the most acceptable form for such distribution, viz.: To reduce the outstanding stock, which, as heretofore stated, now amounts to $35,775,175, to $30,000,000, by the purchase of the requisite amount of stock in the market, and to represent the aforesaid surplus by the issue (for private distribution among the stockholders) of $15,000,000 of seven per cent. bonds, interest payable quarterly, with a moderate provision for a sinking fund, for their gradual retirement.

We believe the present condition and future prospects of the company shall justify this dividend, and that the payment of the interest on these bonds, will not interfere with the regular cash dividends to the stockholders, to which policy we understand commencing from Jan. 1, your board are already committed. We believe the form of a dividend we have suggested would be the most acceptable to the stockholders, and therefore earnestly request that this memorial may receive early and favorable consideration at your hands.

NEW-YORK, Jan. 8, 1874.

ST. LOUIS AND ST. JOSEPH RAILROAD COMPANY.

The St. Louis and St. Joseph Railroad Company, on the 24 of November, 1868, made a mortgage to the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company, as Trustee, to secure payment of 1,000 bonds of the par value of $1,000 each. The road is now in default of payment of the interest on these bonds, and the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company have given notice that it will, in conformity with the provisions and under the powers contained in the mortgage, proceed to sell by public auction, on the 15th inst., the property, rights, and franchises covered by the mortgage, to pay the expenses of the trust and to satisfy the bonds and interest. At a recent meeting of the bondholders it was deemed indispensable that holders of the bonds should enter into an agreement with each other for the purchase of the road and its franchises and property for the purpose of protecting their interests from sacrifice. The committee appointed at that meeting have, under the advice of counsel, prepared an agreement to be signed by such of the bondholders as are desirous of purchasing the railroad, and it has been sent for signature to all bondholders whose address could be obtained. This agreement appoints S. Angier Chace, of Fall River, Mass.; W. K. Mead and Charles W. Hassler, of New-York; J. A. Tillson, of Poughkeepsie, and Nathaniel E. Gould, of Newburg, to be the agents of the bondholders, and confers upon them power to attend the sale and purchase the road and its franchises. Each subscriber to the agreement covenants to deposit with the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company the bonds held by him, to be used in paying for the said road, and any cash requisite to complete the purchase is to be assessed according to the amount of bonds held by each subscriber. If the road be purchased, a corporation will be organized under the laws of the State of Missouri, to which corporation the Trustees shall convey the property acquired by such purchase.

BILL TO RELIEVE SUB-TREASURER HILLHOUSE.

Intelligence was received yesterday afternoon in financial circles that the bill which was introduced into the House for the relief of Gen. Hillhouse, Assistant Treasurer of the Sub-Treasury in this City, has been passed. The object of the bill is to relieve the Assistant Treasurer from the embarrassments under which he was laboring, caused by the defalcation about two years ago of an official named Johnson, and to enable Gen. Hillhouse to settle his accounts with the Treasury Department. Virtually the amount of Johnson's defalcation is assumed by the Government.

BALL OF THE NEW-YORK CALEDONIAN CLUB.

The New-York Caledonian Club celebrated their seventeenth annual ball at Ferrero's Assembly Rooms, in Fourteenth street, last night. There was a large attendance of the members and their friends, including delegations from sister clubs of the vicinity. The New-York Club numbers 675 active members, and kindred societies are to be found throughout the Union and the Canadas. The hall was adorned with sundry Scottish flags and emblems, the banner of the club, a red lion on a shield supported by Highlanders, with helm as a crest and claymore below, being conspicuous, flanked by the ensigns of America and England. The dance-music was by Robertson's Band. But then, there were the pipes, with their blazoned heraldic banners. Among the guests were Chief Archibald and First Chieftain Rankin, of Newark; Chief McEwan and Clansman Lindsay, of Brooklyn; Mr. Moir, President of the St. Andrew's Society; Col. Stetson and Major Laing, of the Seventy-ninth, N. G. S. N. Y., (Highlanders;) Ex-Chiefs Craig and Watt. The floor manager was William Parker, the Floor Committee Alex. Tasker, James Boyle, David Simpson, Robt. Hamilton, Jr.; Reception Committee, John S. Dingwall, Peter Brennigan, George T. Addison; Committee of Arrangements, Angus Cowan, Chas. J. Nicholson, Andrew McLaren, George McKay, Daniel Cameron. The officers of the club are Chief Henry G. Thomson; First Chieftain, John S. Dingwall; Second Chieftain, Jas. L. McEwen; Third Chieftain, Kenneth McKenzie; Fourth Chieftain, James Warnock; Fifth Chieftain, Andrew McLaren. There were twenty-eight dances, with an intermission after the fourteenth, and it was well among "the wee sma' hours ayont the twal" when "Toddling Hame," the last thing on the programme terminated a pleasant night.

BRENNAN'S PRISON LIFE.

The glorious sunshine of yesterday, in which nature rejoiced, failed to impart an aspect of cheerfulness to the occupant of cell No. 10 Ludlow Street Jail. To one accustomed to live on turkey and truffles *pâté de foie gras* and other delectable dishes, and to dilute the meal with copious draughts of rich wines bought with stolen money, it is not to be wondered that the fare of a common City prison would impair his digestion. So it is with Ex-Sheriff Matt. Brennan. The cheerful weather of yesterday found that individual laboring under a violent attack of indigestion. He, however, observed a dignified retirement, and did not receive many visitors outside the members of his family. Mr. Brennan and his faithful deputy do not anticipate any further trouble from the District Attorney, but the rumor that the Grand Jury of the Court of General Sessions has found an indictment against the ex-Sheriff for misdemeanor in failing to place Genet in close confinement after his conviction and sentence will, it is feared, increase his disagreeable malady. Should he be tried and found guilty on this indictment, he would be liable to a sentence of one year in the Penitentiary, where, with his friend Tweed, he could mourn over departed greatness and the instability of all things human.

CONTROLLER GREEN'S MONTHLY STATEMENT.

The following is the Controller's monthly statement of the amount of warrants drawn, and for what purposes, against the City and County Treasuries, from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1873; also a comparative statement of the City and County debt, as of Dec. 31, 1872, and Dec. 31, 1873, with a statement of and for what purposes stocks have been issued:

STATEMENT OF WARRANTS DRAWN ON CITY ACCOUNT.

General Expenses, Payable from Taxation.

	To Nov. 30.	In December.
Legislative Departm't, salaries, advertising, and contingencies...	$243,134 35	$31,786 40
The Mayoralty, salaries, contingencies, and Bureau of Permits.....	29,020 55	7,351 47
Law Department, salaries and contingencies...	99,817 79	24,539 11
Department of Finance, salaries and contingencies, including Chamberlain's Office.	412,201 38	76,253 96
Department of Public Works, salaries, contingencies, and expenditures under direction of.....	1,312,146 56	319,999 56
Department of Public Charities and Correction.....	1,324,797 65	126,882 20
Department of Public Parks, maintenance account.....	478,713 04	15,531 72
Department of Buildings.....	72,878 17	16,981 14
Department of Police..	2,868,178 01	350,595 57
Department of Public Instruction, including College of the City of New-York.....	2,760,903 75	515,847 49
Department of Taxes and Assessments.....	63,605 07	20,639 59
Fire Department.....	1,133,993 55	126,453 96
Health Department.....	186,905 92	27,396 69
Cleaning streets under Police Department..	975,000 00	.....
City courts and court expenses.....	477,606 59	78,130 70
Interest on City debt..	5,291,711 67	306,857 28
Reduction of City debt —Bonds paid of.....	792,763 33	.....
Fourth Avenue Improvement Fund.....	773,591 36	161,256 60
Judgments.....	166,026 19	.....
City Record — Publication, salaries, contingencies, and advertising.....	8,410 60	2,796 00
Printing, stationery, and blank-books....	22,788 24	9,763 72
Commissioners of Accounts.....	1,709 66	1,000 00
Miscellaneous.....	108,580 18	13,126 30
Amount payable from taxation....	$20,104,523 61	$2,233,189 52

Construction New Works and Improvements and old Claims, Payable from issue of Bonds.

Arrearages of 1871 and advertising claims prior to 1872.....	$322,789 22	.....
Assessment Fund—Cost of opening new streets.....	10,310,197 39	$138 00
Consolidated Fund Act —For assessments vacated.....	.....	500,000 00
Department of Public Parks, Construction Account.....	612,537 79	119,727 07
Department of Docks...	492,418 09	204,161 91
Department of Public Works.....	5,412,774 48	777,411 69
Department of Public Instruction—Erection and repairs of school buildings.....	95,175 00	12,541 24
Fire Telegraph—Completion of, an arrearage of '71.....	197,586 48	.....
Museum of Natural History Building....	19,755 31	8,037 13
Museum of Art Building.....	23 12	2,055 61
New-York and Brooklyn Bridge.....	300,000 00	202,000 00
Old claims and judgments, chap. 756, laws 1873.....	145,646 29	9,3129 94
Sala'ries, Department of Buildings, arrearages 1872, chap. 872, laws 1873.....	22,220 77	.....
Amount payable from issue of Assessment and trust accounts...	$17,931,105 97	$1,820,402 59
Charges on arrears of taxes.....	4,388 00	1,350 00
Duplicate assessments paid and refunded....	585 00	408 85
Department of Buildings Lien Fund(chap. 625, laws 1871).....	2,034 53	.....
Excise License Fund, prior to May 1.....	4,818 48	.....
Commissioners of Excise Fund, since May	20,082 29	3,350 06
Intestate estates.....	216 45	.....
Donations from Land Fund under special laws.....	60,753 29	.....
Refunding taxes and assessments paid in error.....	4,217 89	2,769 34
Redemption of the City debt—bonds paid off	7,697,900 00	5,855,145 33
Amount payable from certain special and trust accounts..	$7,794,995 93	$5,863,023 58
Amount of warrants drawn on City account in December.....	.....	9,916,615 60
Add amount warrants previously drawn.....	.....	45,830,625 51
Total amount warrants drawn on City account, 1873.....	.....	$55,747,241 20

ON COUNTY ACCOUNT.

Payable from Taxation.		
For State purposes....	$3,301,567 04	$1,550,000 00
General expenses.....	565,058 09	132,947 55
Int. on County debt....	1,912,425 79	235,114 70
Asylums, reformatories, and charitable institutions.....	553,617 26	83,602 27
Salaries, Executive....	90,469 95	10,676 40
Salaries, Judiciary....	588,214 35	104,638 32
Salaries, Legislative..	13,416 47	2,500 20
Salaries, Commissioners of Accounts clerks.....	821 74	758 23
Redemption of County debt—bonds paid off	500,000 00	.....
Taxes collected in error returned.....	1,622 96	.....
Amount payable from taxation.....	$7,527,213 65	$2,119,637 67

Special and Trust Accounts, Payable from Issue of Bonds.

Arrearages of 1871 and advertising prior to 1872.....	30,637 76	.....
Assessment Fund—Cost of opening Boulevard north of 155th st.....	752,425 87	15,245 44
County claims and judgments, chapter 756, laws of 1873...	20,930 04	20,518 28
New County Court-house.....	38 04	.....
County Revenue bds., 1873, paid off.....	2,896,100 00	167,000 00
Amount payable from special and trust accounts..	$3,700,131 71	$202,763 72
Amount of warrants drawn in December, County account.....		$2,322,401 32
Add amount previously drawn.....		11,227,345 36
Total amount warrants drawn on County account, 1873.....		$13,549,746 75
Add amount warrants drawn on City account.....		55,747,241 20
Total amount warrants drawn in 1873.....		$69,296,987 95

	Balance.	Total sinking fund.	Less sinking fund.	Revenue bonds, anticipating taxation, 1873.	Funded debt, payable from taxation.	Revenue bonds, special, chap. 970, laws 1872, and chap. 175, laws 1873, anticipating taxes 1873.	Revenue bonds, special, chap. 970, laws 1872, and chap. 175, laws 1873, payable from assessments.	Revenue bonds, old debt, chaps. 9, 20, and 970, laws 1872, and chap. 175, laws 1873, payable from Temporary Loan	Funded debt, payable from issue of Bonds.	City Account.	CITY AND COUNTY DEBT.
Dec. 31, 1872.	$205,467,154 03	$118,815,290 87 23,343,074 89	.....	.....	29,987,404 46	.....	.....	6,446,497 53	16,927,372 30	$63,786,255 51	Dec. 31, 1872.
Nov. 30, 1873.	$134,821,616 55 24,778,750 46	.....	535,100 00	1,697,700 00	.....	.....	.....	6,176,292 45	2,034 53	$21,331,072 30	Nov. 30, 1873.
Dec. 31, 1873.	$110,042,866 09	.....	535,100 00	1,694,700 00	.....	.....	.....	6,176,292 45	2,034 53	$21,327,372 30	Dec. 31, 1873.
	$109,971,953 72	$131,204,671 52 24,832,617 80	.....	1,694,700 00	.....	29,988,165 23	.....	6,615,857 55	1,472,547 12	$21,327,372 30	

Cash in City and County Treasury.....	$2,260,861 82	
Cash in Sinking Funds....	303,791 30	
Stocks and bonds have been issued for the following purposes:		
For Croton water purposes	$1,510,000	
For sewer repairs.....	51,500	
For street improvements..	4,136,300	$25,697,800 00
Riverside Park, Broadway widening, Madison avenue extension, &c.....	$5,743,500	
For Boulevard, north of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street.....	327,600	$6,071,100 00
For Park improvements....	796,000	
For museums of art and natural history.....	$32,000	$828,000 00
For assessments vacated (consolidated stock).....		572,500 00
For old claims and judgments, chapter 756, laws 1873.....		202,000 00
For new County Court-house, old claims.....		3,180 77
For fire telegraph, old claims.....		197,586 48
For New-York and Brooklyn Bridge..		300,000 00
For docks and slips.....		194,000 00
For public school buildings.....		116,000 00
For Department of Buildings (special) Sec. 38, chapter 625, 1871.....		2,034 53

CITY AND SUBURBAN NEWS.

NEW-YORK.

Col. John W. Forney will lecture in the people's course at Association Hall, on Tuesday next.

We have received $5 from "Missionary" for the Children's Aid Society. The amount will be handed to the proper officer of the society.

At a meeting of the St. Mark's Literary and Social Union, at its rooms at St. Mark's Church, last night, Dr. George F. Quackenboss delivered a lecture on "Magic."

A lady called upon the Mayor yesterday and complained that a friend, whom she had authorized to collect $113, had retained the amount. The Mayor promised to have the matter investigated.

The Eighth Assembly District Republican Association met, last evening, at No. 73 Ludlow street, and appointed committees for the year. Several new members were declared elected.

James H. Lambert, of Jersey City, an employe of the Erie Railway, fell overboard from the ferry-boat James Fisk, while coming from Jersey City yesterday morning. He was rescued by the deck hands.

The annual meeting of the Maritime Association of the port of New-York, will be held at No. 61 Beaver street, on Monday next, at 3 P. M. The annual election will be held from 11 A. M., to 2 P. M., same date.

A dinner was given to the officers of the Spanish iron-clad Arapiles, at Delmonico's, on Thursday evening, by the Spanish residents of the City. The action of Admiral Polo was denounced in the after-dinner speeches.

During the past year there were exported from New-York 20,700 barrels of shoe-pegs, valued at over $90,000, and 1,340 cases of shoe-nails, valued at $16,000, while the import of shoe bristles during the same time amounted to nearly $3,000.

Mrs. C. Doolittle gave her second anniversary tea party to the colored seamen last evening, at her mission rooms, No. 42 Baxter street. After religious exercises a bountiful supper was given to about 250 colored men who had been invited.

An appeal in the complicated divorce case of Pauline Lucca against Baron von Rhode was argued yesterday before the Supreme Court, General Term, by Mr. Nash for the plaintiff and ex-Gov. Solomon for the defendant. The Court reserved its decision.

Constantine Pablejack, aged twenty-two, of No. 89 Cherry street, was shot in the left breast and in the hand by James M. Brady, of No. 68 New Chambers street, during a quarrel at 2 o'clock yesterday morning, and was severely wounded. Brady was arrested.

The next lecture in the Cooper Union Free Course for the People will be delivered this evening, Jan. 10, in the great hall, at 8 o'clock, by Prof. Edward S. Morse, of Bowdoin College, Maine, on "Articulates," being the third of a series of four on natural history.

The annual election of the Association of Railway and Steam-ship Ticket Agents of New-York was held yesterday afternoon. The following officers were elected: President, G. K. Lansing; Vice President, G. Swan; Secretary and Treasurer, F. P. Marsh.

On another page will be found the announcement that the Franklin Savings Bank is prepared to pay a dividend of six per cent. to its depositors on the 20th inst. This institution came safely through the various panics by which so many savings banks were ruined.

The Cimbria, of the Hamburg Line of ocean steamers, left this port on the 8th inst., and took the German mail. The mail matter consisted of 41,510 letters contained in forty-two letter-bags, and a quantity of newspaper and printed matter made up in seventy-four bags.

At the annual meeting of the Harlem Rowing Club, Wednesday, Jan. 6, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, F. B. Tilghman; Vice President, J. C. Halsted; Secretary, M. T. Knapp; Treasurer, R. B. Dodson; Captain, H. M. Knapp; Lieutenant, E. B. Pinckney.

Martin Farrell, aged forty, of No. 367 West Twenty-seventy street, steward of the steam-ship City of Merida, which arrived here yesterday from Havana, was terribly burned on the 6th inst. by the explosion of a can of alcohol on board the steamer while at sea. He was removed from the steamer and taken home.

The Eighteenth District Republican Association held a regular monthly meeting, last evening, at their rooms, No. 431 Fourth avenue. The business transacted consisted of the election and nomination of new members, and the adoption of a vote of thanks to the officers of the association for 1873.

The Fourteenth District Republican Association held a regular meeting at their rooms, No. 20 St. Mark's place, last evening, the new President, Mr. John H. Brady, in the chair. Committees on Admissions, Finance, Resolutions, and an Executive Committee were appointed, and, after the election of about thirty new members, the meeting adjourned.

The number of buildings and stores to let on Broadway at the present time is greater than at any period during the past ten years. Between Chambers and Fifteenth streets there are eighteen whole buildings to let, fifty-three buildings containing lofts to let, and 122 with offices to let. Besides these there are fifty-six large stores for which lessees are wanted.

The German Property Owners and Tax-payers Association of the Tenth and Seventeenth Wards, at their meeting at Concordia Hall last night, passed a resolution calling upon Senator Gross and Assemblymen Warhner, Wagstaff, and Schenerman to take action in the Legislature to insure the repeal of the act providing for the erection of a new City Prison.

The German Republican Association for the Fourteenth Assembly District, Seventeenth Ward, reorganized for the ensuing year by the election of Aug. Kirk, President; Vice Presidents, Jacob Utz and F. Altmaier; Secretaries, G. Hentze and A. Nolting; Treasurer, Friedrich Hammer. The delegates to the German Republican Central Committee, A. Thun, B. A. Angermann, Ad. Rolland, C. Kuchenbecker, and P. Keiper.

The German Republican organization of the Eleventh Assembly District met last night at No. 346 Eighth avenue, and appointed the following officers and delegates to the Central Committee: John Appell, President; Charles Doehler, First Vice President; Ph. Strickler, Second Vice President; E. Pielhenke, Secretary; Wm. Wagler, Treasurer; Delegates, J. P. Windolph, S. Rothschild, P. W. Moeller, Wm. Wagler, H. Koeber.

The disputed will case of James Scott, which has been in litigation during the past two years, came up again for hearing in the Surrogate's Court yesterday, before Surrogate Hutchings. Several witnesses were examined, but no new facts were elicited, and the matter was adjourned. In the Butler contested will case which also came up for hearing before Surrogate Hutchings, the remainder of the session was occupied by Mr. S. G. Courtenay in summing up the case for the contestants.

BROOKLYN.

A slight fire, which was quickly extinguished, occurred last night at Dr. Cuyler's Church, in Lafayette avenue.

While having over $4,000,000 to its credit in the various city banks, Brooklyn is borrowing money at seven per cent.

William Stoddard, of No. 163 Meserole street, accidentally shot himself through the hand, last evening, while in the act of loading his pistol.

The Brooklyn Police are of opinion that Kessler, who is charged with stealing two $1,000 bonds from the Controller's office, will be in custody within a few days.

The body of Philip Tousel, the sailor who was drowned at the foot of Main street a few evenings since, while attempting to go on board the ship Honeford, was recovered last evening.

John W. Rowe was arrested last night on a charge of stealing $100 from William Skinner, of No. 287 Baltic street. Rowe and Skinner were fellow-boarders at the house in Baltic street before mentioned.

The Jumata was floated off the dry-dock yesterday. The Arapiles completed the shipping of her armament, and will take on her powder at Ellis Island to-day. She will sail for Spain, it is said, on Monday.

John Bartley, who was arrested a few days since on a charge of setting fire to Harvey's oil-cloth factory, was taken before Justice Morse yesterday, and held to await the action of the Grand Jury on a charge of arson.

At the regular Friday evening prayer-meeting held at Dr. Storrs' church an interesting letter was read from Prof. Weiss, a member of the Evangelical Alliance and a survivor of the Ville du Havre disaster. His letter contained a graphic description of the accident.

A delegation of cartmen waited on Mayor Hunter yesterday, and requested permission to occupy their old stand on Fulton street, opposite the City Hall Park. A recent order of the Board of City Works compelled them to remove to Boerum street. Mr. Hunter promised to look into the matter.

NEW-JERSEY.

The citizens of Union Hill have petitioned the Western Union Telegraph Company to establish an office in the town.

Michael Rafferty, who fell into a vat of boiling water at the Communipaw abattoir a few weeks ago, is recovering.

A lecture on "Luck and Pluck" will be delivered in Elizabeth, N. J., on Monday evening, by Rev. G. H. Hopworth.

A little daughter of John McVey, of West Hoboken, was knocked down by a horse yesterday, and severely injured.

Samuel Pesson, one of the Hudson County Board of Assessors, died at his home in Jersey City on Thursday night. He was sixty-nine years old.

At a meeting of the Jersey City Board of Finance, held on Thursday night, the sale of $61,000 seven per cent. twenty year bonds, and $12,000 forty year bonds was reported.

Sixty dollars in money were, on Thursday night, stolen from the Sisters in charge of St. Mary's Roman Catholic school in Hoboken. The money was to have been expended to-day in the purchase of clothing for the little ones.

On application of Hon. Leon Abbett, of counsel, Judge Scudder has fixed the bail required from Woodworth, awaiting trial in the Middlesex County Jail on a charge of having conspired to defraud the New-Brunswick State Bank, at $25,000.

At Jugton, in Hunterdon County, the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company is excavating a tunnel through the Musconetcong Mountains, for the passage of the Easton and Bound Brook branch of the road. On Wednesday night, at 7 o'clock, twelve men were engaged at work upon the tunnel. They struck loose ground, which sank, and the rock and earth overhead fell, burying the whole party of men in the débris. All of the men were more or less injured.

The Passaic County Grand Jurors yesterday presented two indictments for manslaughter against Alfred Speer, of Passaic, whose house fell in Passaic, Dec. 4, killing Councilman McLane and Wm. F. Barker. The court fixed the bail on each bill in $10,000, and accepted Mr. Speer's own bonds for his appearance for trial in April. The Grand Jurors also presented the Morris Canal Company on account of the bad condition of the bridges over the canal, and against the Paterson and Passaic Horse Railroad Company, on account of the bad condition of the tracks in Market street.

STATEN ISLAND.

New-Brighton Tyrian Chapter No. 219, R. A. M., held their annual election on the 8th inst. and chose the following officers for the ensuing year: W. N. Hawkins, High Priest; John R. Clark, King; Benj. F. Cook, Scribe; Adolph Taylor, Treasurer; H. G. Schnisendorf, Secretary; J. W. Simonton, Trustee. The new officers of Beacon Light Lodge, F. and A. M., will be installed on Monday evening next at their lodge-rooms, Village Hall, New-Brighton.

BROOKLYN ACADEMY OF MUSIC.

The annual meeting of the Directors of the Brooklyn Academy of Music was held last evening, Mr. N. D. Morgan in the chair, and Mr. Judah B. Veorhies, Secretary.

Mr. Isaac H. Frothingham, the Secretary, submitted his annual report, which shows expenditures from all sources during the year to be $40,126 94; balance on hand, $1,321 37. Mr. E. D. Plimpton read a report of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors, in reference to the late renovations in the Academy, the expenses of which were a little over $10,000. The committee state that the building is in a perfect condition, and that the money has been expended in the best possible manner. The following-named gentlemen were elected Directors for the ensuing five years to fill vacancies: Alexander M. White, Edwin D. Plimpton, Josiah O. Low, Augustus E. Masters, Samuel McLean.

THE STATE OF TRADE.

NEW-ORLEANS, Jan. 9.—Flour in good demand; small stock, fresher freight room wanted; sales of Superfine at $5; Extra, $6; Double Extra, $6 50; Treble do., $7@7 50; Family, $8@9 75. Corn quiet at 73c.@74c. for White; 75c. for Yellow. Oats sold at 58c.@60c. Bran firmer; held at $1 10. Hay firmer at $22 for Prime; $26 for Choice. Pork scarce and firmer at $15 75@16. Dry-salted Meats—None in first hands. Bacon scarce at 14c. for Shoulders; 15c. for Clear Rib Sides; 16c. for Clear Sides. Hams dull at 12½c.@13c. for New. Lard scarce, and firmer at 9c.@9¾c. for Tierce. 9¾c.@10c. for Keg. Sugar dull; sales of inferior at 6c.@4½c.; common, 5c. @5½c.; fair to fully fair, 6¼c.